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ITALIAN ENIGMA UNSOLVED

Rome, To-day.

The passage in the speech of the British Minister for Economic Warfare, Mr. Ronald Cross, relating to Italy, brought a reply from Signor Gayda last night.

Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia," says: "Although the semi-official British spokesman declared there is no reason to attach undue importance to the speech, certain London newspapers presented the statement under grotesque and intolerable headlines.

"Italy has nothing to learn from anybody as to how to regulate her conduct and cannot accept any warning from anybody."—*Reuter*.

Action Feared

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Many quarters in London openly predict Italian action against Dalmatia within the next few days while the majority of political observers are of the opinion that Italian action against Yugoslavia would mean a general war in the Mediterranean.

Meanwhile, Berlin and Rome are reported to be exerting strong pressure upon Spain, aiming to provoke a radical change in Madrid's policy. However, it is generally not believed that Spain would forsake her neutrality in the near future.

Sir Percy Loraine, British Ambassador to Italy, is expected to return to Rome shortly. He will then question the Italian Government about its immediate intentions.

The uncertainty of the Italian attitude explains the drastic precautions taken by the Allies all along the Mediterranean, particularly in Egypt and Allied protectorates and mandates.—*Havas*.

British And Nazi Troops Clash In Trondheim Region

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

INTENSIVE FIGHTING between British and German patrols in the Narvik area, where the German forces are carrying out a slow retreat, fighting a rearguard action, is reported from Stockholm.

Other Swedish reports speak of first contact between the British-Norwegian force north of Trondheim, near Namsos, and Nazi units sent out from Trondheim. No official confirmation is forthcoming.

The Norwegian defence lines in southern Norway run from Elverum to Hamar and along the banks of Lake Miosen. Barricades 10 feet high have been built and the Norwegians are putting up a strong resistance.

There is guerilla fighting in south-east Norway, where 500 Norwegians are fighting the Germans who have taken Kongsvinger.—*Havas*.

Historic Battleground

London, To-day.

Much of the news of fighting and so on in Norway comes from correspondents who are many miles from the actual scene of events, and must, therefore, be treated with reserve until official confirmation is forthcoming.

At the same time, Stockholm reports that Trondheim may become an important battle-centre may well be correct, for it is one of Norway's best communication centres, apart from Oslo. It has definite patriotic associations, too, for the Kings of Norway are crowned there and Trondheim is on the edge of Norway's historic battle-ground.

The country north of Trondheim is a comparatively flat area giving better scope for military operations, and there is, therefore, some degree of probability in Swedish reports that operations can be ex-

pected between Trondheim and Namsos, some 80 miles to the north. Swedish reports also state that a bitter battle near Elverum is also to be expected; there, the Nazis seem to be bent on strengthening their positions.—*Reuter*.

Sabotage Round Oslo

Stockholm, To-day.

Oslo correspondents of Stockholm papers report that things are quiet there but that sabotage is frequent in the district.—*Reuter*.

LATEST R.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.

An Air Ministry casualty list issued yesterday comprises 22 killed (including 6 previously reported missing); 67 missing, 28 wounded or injured and 8 died. Three previously reported missing are now reported safe.—*Reuter*.

DESTROYER ECLIPSE DAMAGED

London, To-day.

An Admiralty communique last night stated that as a result of a near miss during an enemy bomb attack some days ago, the destroyer H.M.S. Eclipse was damaged but is now safely at her base.—*Reuter*.

TROOPSHIP SUNK BY POLISH SUB.

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IT IS NOW LEARNED THAT THE 5,000-TON NAZI TROOPSHIP RIO DE JANEIRO, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE BOTTOM DURING THE EARLY STAGES OF THE GERMAN INVASION OF NORWAY, WAS SUNK BY THE POLISH SUBMARINE ORZEL.

The Orzel, it will be recalled, was at Gdynia when the Germans marched into Poland. She had a thrilling voyage through German mine-fields to Britain and since then has been co-operating with the Allied Navies.—*Reuter*.

HOLLAND'S WAR ON FIFTH COLUMN

THE HAGUE, TO-DAY.

BY THE EXTENSION OF THE STATE OF SIEGE, HOLLAND HAS TAKEN DRASTIC ACTION AGAINST "FIFTH COLUMN" PLOTS.

The proclamation will enable the military authorities to take what measures they think fit regarding foreigners.

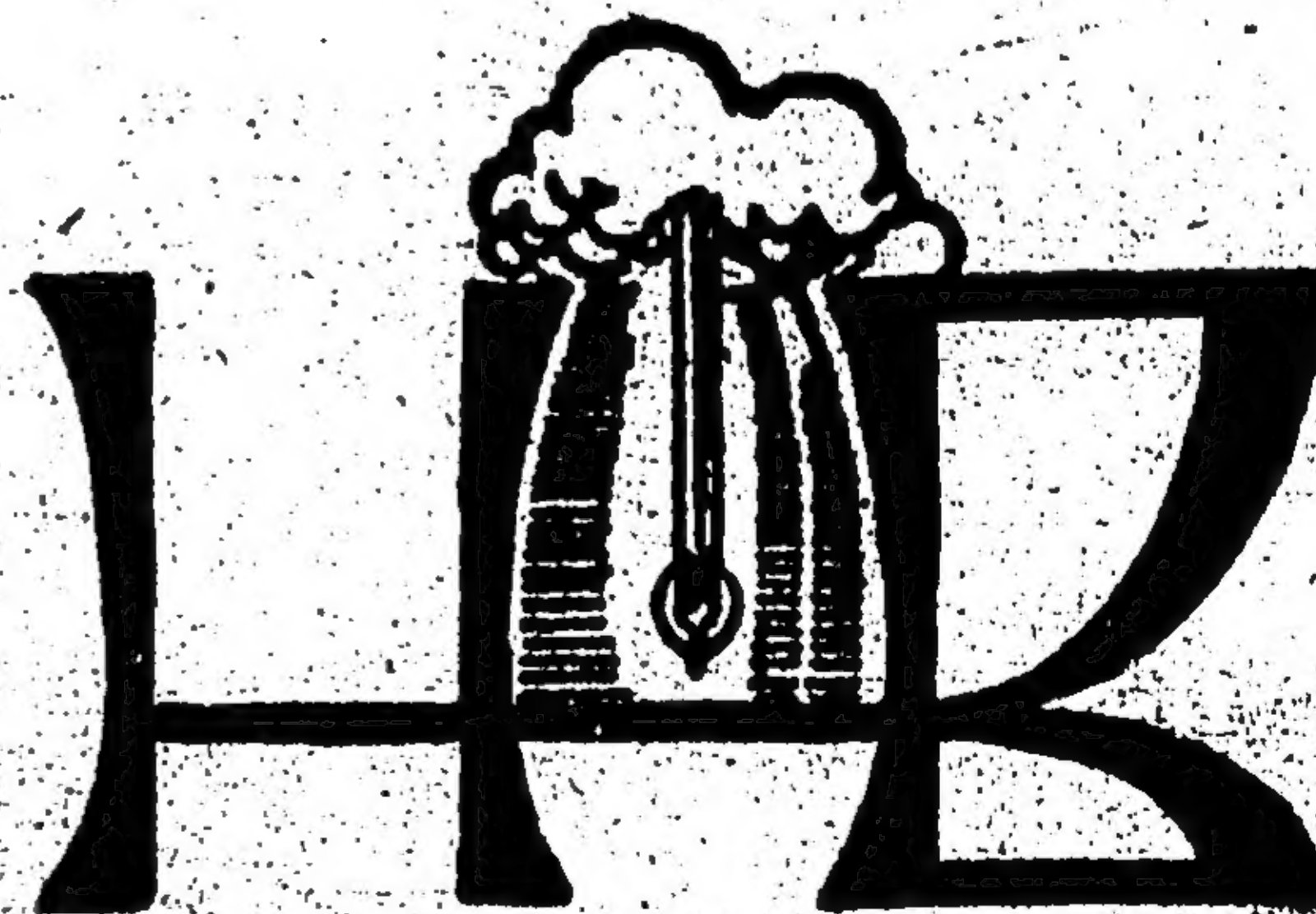
A ban on the Nazi party is not expected unless definite subversive activities are unearthed.

Signs of tightening of control on the home front have been increasingly visible this week.

Two speeches by Dutch Nazi leaders were banned in three days, though in the second case the prohibition was partly waived.

The police yesterday spent three hours searching the castle of Count D'Ansembourg, Dutch Nazi member of the Second Chamber. Other house searches are likely to follow. In the meantime, at the frontier there is no relaxation in the examination of the credentials of foreigners, and people about whom there is the slightest doubt are simply turned back.—*Reuter*.

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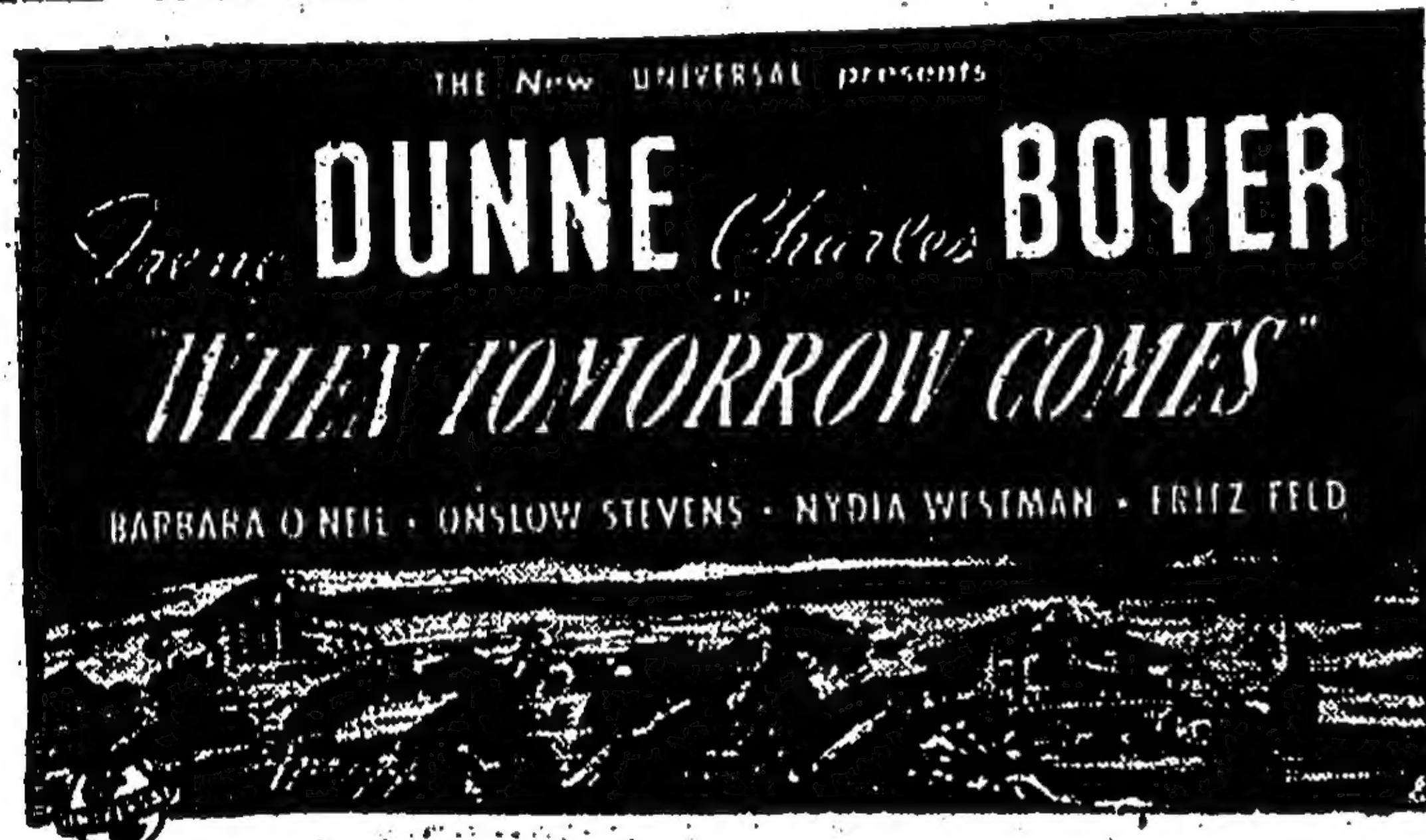
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GERMANS FIGHT IS HITLER

The Independent Labour Party has received from the Independent Socialists of Germany a secret message addressed "To the workers of Britain and France."

It was smuggled across the German frontier and has reached the I.L.P. through neutral country.

Declaring that the German people did not begin the war and do not want war, the message says:

"We love our country, as you love yours. If our homes are going to be attacked, we shall defend them. But no peace for us with the present German Government; no political truce for us with the Hitler regime."

"In peace or in war our work goes on, the fight for the human rights of the German population, the fight against the Hitler regime and the Nazi war."

"In the trenches and in the munition factories, on the markets and in the farmyards, we spread our leaflets demanding more food, higher wages, peace and the end of the Hitler reign."

BAYONETS AT BACKS

"If Hitler's ruthless warfare strikes your country in the same way as Poland, remember the German workers do not want this war. If we remain silent, it is because behind our backs there is the armed force of bayonets."

"If we do not act now, realise that our hands are in fetters, chained."

After stating that "till our last breath we shall fight for the future of our children, for the destruction of the Hitler regime," the message concludes:

"Through terror and persecution we have remained Socialists and in the midst of death and destruction we see another world, a better world to come."

"In the citadel of tyranny and suppression we shall erect the new German Republic, the free Germany!"

A PARISIAN KEEPSAKE

R.A.F. squadrons in France are keenly competing in their collection of war souvenirs. In different Messes there are relics—machine-guns; oxygen cylinders; pieces of engine cowling and such like. One squadron

GAVE LORD JELlicoe CONVOY IDEA

The man who claims to be the first to suggest to Earl Jellicoe the conveying of ships—the idea that ended the submarine menace in 1917—is now living in a little home in South Shields with his wife.

He is grizzled, grey-haired Captain William Mallinson, fifty-seven, of Back Fawcett-street, an ex-North Sea pilot.

TO SEA AT EIGHT

"I began my sea career as a cabin boy when only eight years old," he told a reporter, "and became master of the same ship some years later."

"During the whole of my career on the seas, I have never lost a ship or a man, and I took 169 ships safely to port during the last war."

"During an appeal by the Admiralty in 1917 for means of combating the submarine menace, I dictated to my wife a letter to the Admiralty—you see, I never learned to write—suggesting the idea of conveying ships."

"Just afterwards my ship put into Yarmouth Roads and there was an officer waiting for me with a letter telling me to go to the Admiralty immediately."

"I was shown into a room where there were two Admirals. One was Jellicoe."

"After explaining my idea of conveying, he banged the table with his fists and said, 'That takes two thousand tons off my mind, and if it falls we're beaten.'"

"The date was May 8, and two days later the first British convoy left port."

"All I want now is a chance to go back to sea again and I think, now that I am hard up, the Admiralty might give me a pension to help us to live."

"They retired me as a deep-sea pilot two years ago after thirty years in the service."

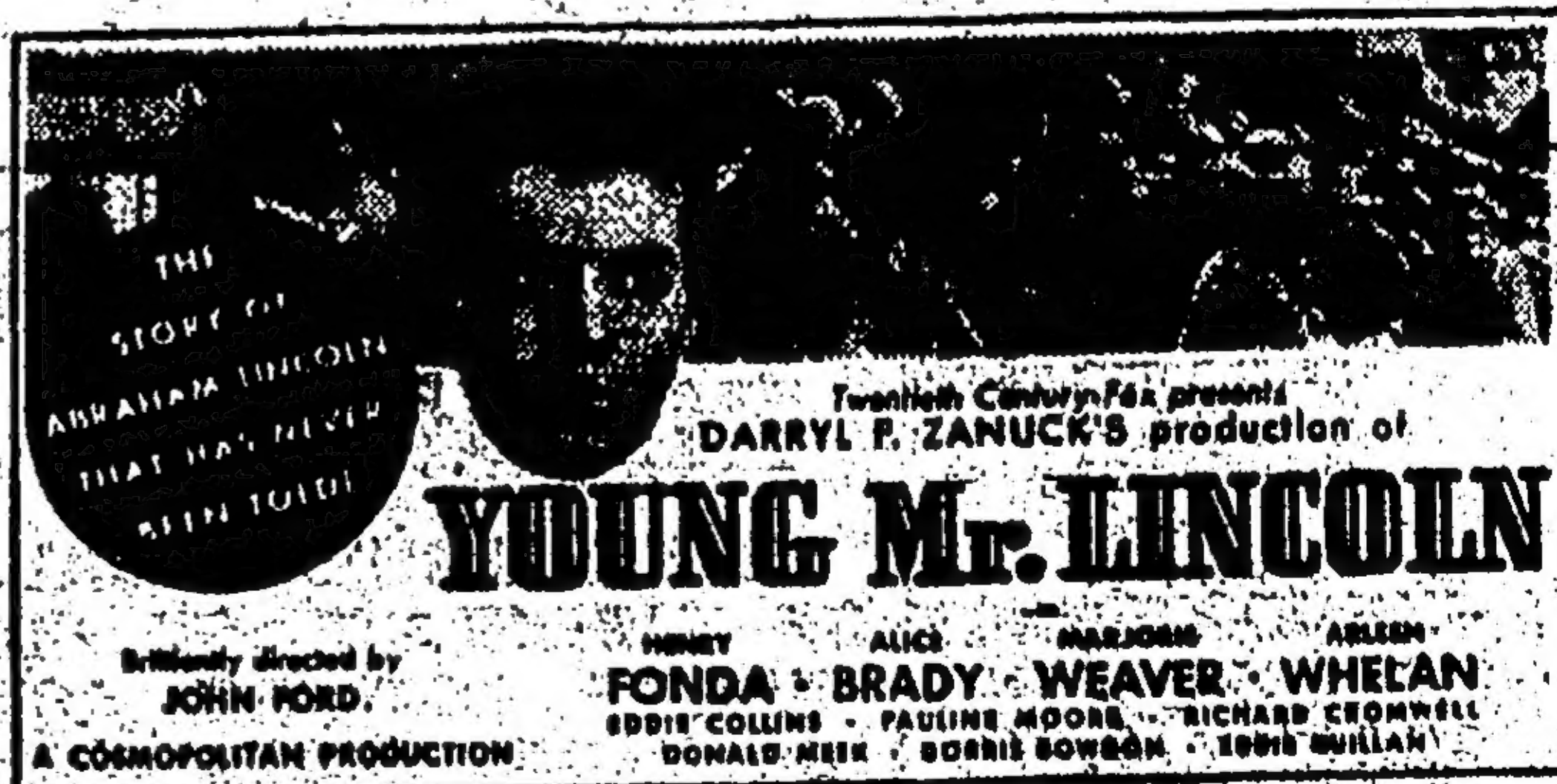
"It is a hard struggle to keep my wife, who is now sixty-two, and myself on such a little these days."

boasts a complete, unmarked, black cross from the wing of a shot-down Heinkel.

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PRESS SURVEY OF DEVELOPMENTS

London, To-day.

THE BRITISH PRESS yesterday covered a wide range of topics, from India and Italy to a light sub-leader in "The Times" on the new word "Quisling."

Both "The Times" and the "Daily Telegraph" say that Germany would like to involve Italy in the present war if she could find a way.

Dealing with "M. Reynaud's unqualified triumph," the "Daily Telegraph" says that it had been anticipated that he would meet with a formidable challenge. But by one of the most brilliant reports ever presented, he silenced all criticism and dispelled all doubt.

France, the paper continues, can be trusted to rise in a crisis to the height of her great traditions, and she has seldom justified this more than by Thursday's conclusion to the secret debate.

ITALIAN PUZZLE

The "Daily Mail" admits that the British people are puzzled about Italy. It enquires if the present Italian press campaign against Britain is designed to help Hitler by diverting our attention from Scandinavia? In that case, the manoeuvre failed before it began.

The paper suggests that Italy may be uttering a warning in the event of the war spreading to the Balkans and points out that Britain and France have no intention of making any move there unless Germany makes a move there first.

The "News Chronicle" says that Il Duce should bear in mind that although the historic friendship between the British and Italian people may have worn thin under the pressure of Fascist propaganda, there is certainly no love lost between the Italians and the Germans.

FUTURE OF INDIA

The Labour newspaper "Daily Herald," dealing with India, says that the Congress desire to leave the British Commonwealth is reactionary. If the world is to become more civilised, the nations must federate, not split into separate atoms.

The "Glasgow Herald" says that it is Britain's business to help the Indian leaders convince themselves that it is in their interest, even more than in ours, that the country should remain in the Empire of its own free will.

They have plenty of examples to show how dangerous to a poorly-defended Eastern country complete independence can be.

LIGHTER NOTE

"The Times" manages to strike a somewhat lighter note, dealing with the Norwegian puppet Quisling.

To all journalists and other writers wracking their brains or looking through the pages of Roget, it says, the word "Quisling" is a "gift from the gods!"

If they had been given an order to invent a new word for "traitor" and given carte-blanche with the letters of the alphabet, they could not have made a better combination.

The article in "The Times" is headed:—"Quisling is as Quisling does."—Reuter.

FOREIGNERS BARRED FROM SWEDISH PORTS

Stockholm, To-day.

Foreigners are now forbidden to visit Swedish ports and it is reported that the entire iron-industry province has been declared a forbidden area. Stockholm wants even stronger defence against air attacks. — Reuter.

CANTON RED CROSS APPEAL

The French and British Communities of Canton have decided to launch a campaign among themselves and among sympathisers with the allied cause resident in Canton for the collection of funds for the Allied Red Cross. It is hoped to collect sufficient funds for the purchase of an ambulance to be presented with full equipment and a suitable inscription to the central allied Red Cross organisation. It is felt that it would be an encouragement to aim at some definite object rather than to collect funds vaguely for Red Cross work, and it is also believed that there may be some propaganda value in the presentation of a complete ambulance unit contributed by a small and distant allied community such as that of Shamen.

At the present time there are resident in Hongkong many people who would normally consider themselves members of the Canton community and who would probably like to associate themselves with this communal effort. It would be greatly appreciated if any such persons who wish to contribute to the fund would send cheques made payable to the Franco-British Fund either to Mrs. A. Price, British Consulate-General, Canton or to Mme. F. Saugon, Consulat de France, Canton.

It is hoped that former residents of Shamen will not allow themselves to be outdone in generosity by the present members of the foreign community of Canton.

SPECTACULAR FLYING FOR THE KING AND QUEEN

London, To-day.

A spectacular flying display was watched by the King and Queen yesterday, when one of Britain's latest, fastest and most powerful machines went through its tests, including climbing rolls.

After circling the aerodrome at a height of 3,000 feet, the pilot put the plane into a steep dive and only flattened out and zoomed upwards when he was 50 feet from the ground. — Reuter.

DUTCH COMMUNIST MEETING PROHIBITED

The Hague, To-day.

A meeting last night of the Netherlands Communist Party was forbidden by the Dutch authorities. — Reuter.

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London, To-day.

SEVERAL THOUSAND LONDONERS gave a rousing welcome to about 60 heroes of H.M.S. Hardy when they arrived in the capital last evening from the north-west Scottish port at which they were landed.

Thousands of people waited eagerly to greet them at Euston Station and the Band of the Royal Marines rendered musical honours.

Crowds of office workers on the way home waited in Trafalgar Square to cheer them and as the buses which were carrying them to the Horse Guards Parade came in sight, businessmen waved umbrellas and newspapers and office girls flourished handkerchiefs and scarves in greeting.

Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, welcoming the men at the Horse Guards Parade, said:

"You are actually the vanguard of the armies which we and our French allies will use during the summer to purge and cleanse the soil of the Vikings, the soil of Norway, from the filthy pollution of Nazi tyranny."

"ECLIPSE" DAMAGED

With the Hardy survivors were men of the destroyer Eclipse, which, it was announced last night, had been damaged and is now at her base.

Mr. Churchill declared to the Hardy men: "Though your vessel was sunk you did not hesitate with rifles in your hands to carry on the war on another element, and this proves again the amphibious character of Britain and her Navy."—Reuter.

Air Cooperation In The Attack At Narvik

London, To-day.

The important role played by the Fleet Air Arm in the battle in Narvik Fjord on Wednesday, April 10, was revealed in London yesterday with the return of survivors of H.M.S. Hardy.

The day before the attack, machines of the Fleet Air Arm launched bombing attacks on the German destroyers, two of which were hit, one of them twice.

At the same time, planes carried out reconnaissances which were of first-class value.

On Wednesday, the Second Destroyer Flotilla, led by H.M.S. Hardy, went into the fjord and attacked.

Again the F.A.A. attacked the destroyers and again secured hits. Since that time, the bombers of the F.A.A. have attacked and destroyed German planes on the frozen lakes around Narvik.

After Hardy had run aground, the survivors made for the shore, swimming through the icy waters. It is believed that one party landed from boats, captured 120 German sailors and turned them over to the Norwegian police at Narvik.

HUNTER'S LOSS

Apart from Hardy, the other British loss was H.M.S. Hunter, Lieutenant-Commander L. de Villiers in command. So far, nothing is known about the survivors, although it is possible that some of them reached the shore.

Since that time, the Fleet Air Arm has continued its fine work up and down the coast. On Thursday night, during Nazi air attacks on British warships shelling Stavanger, the F.A.A. brought down two bombers and badly damaged three others.

They were protecting a damaged British cruiser, which was the target for 115 bombs — only one of which scored a hit. — Reuter.

PREPARE FOR PEACE AND WAR!

Brussels, To-day.

"Not knowing with certainty what to-morrow will bring, let us prepare both for peace and war," declared the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Pierlot, in a speech here yesterday.

Speaking of Belgium's anti-alien measures, M. Pierlot said thousands of foreigners had been interned while the personnel of the Surete had been reinforced and strategic centres guarded.

He reaffirmed the Foreign Minister's recent declaration that Belgium would defend herself if attacked.—Reuter.

GERMAN AGREEMENT IN RUMANIA

Bucharest, To-day.

The German-Rumanian economic discussions ended last night and an agreement is expected to be signed to-day.

It is understood the agreement comes within the framework of the existing trade treaty and contains the following points:

Firstly, extension of the present trade and payments agreements to the German protectorate territories, except Poland.

Secondly, unification of Customs duties between Rumania on the one hand and Germany, Bohemia and Moravia on the other.

Thirdly, all wheat contracts signed before the Rumanian re-export ban shall be executed.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN WAR EFFORT

Sydney, To-day.

The Australian Council of Trade Unions has re-affirmed its support of the war policy of the Federal Labour Party.

At the end of a 2-day debate, the Council pledged its full support of the Government in the war and the maintenance of Australia as an integral part of the British Commonwealth of Nations.—Reuter.

ALL COMMUNIST NEWSPAPERS TO BE BANNED

Canberra, To-day.

All Communist newspapers in Australia will cease publication within a fortnight. Communist pamphlets and leaflets will be subjected to a rigid censorship and will be forbidden to deal with certain subjects.

Sir Henry Gullett said yesterday that the Australian censorship would treat "Communist publications" as "enemy publications."—Reuter.

RUMANIAN SECURITY DECREES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

The Rumanian Home Ministry has released two decrees dealing with foreigners already in the country and those desiring to enter Rumania.

Foreigners will not be allowed to carry cameras, arms and war material.

All licenses granted for the above will be cancelled.

Foreigners will report to the police all arms, war material and cameras in their possession within three days.

In future these articles will be confiscated at the frontier.

All requests for entry into Rumania must be made in person.

PASSPORT CONTROL

Passports must be presented to the police within 24 hours of arrival. Violators will be expelled immediately.

Foreigners without a visa will not be permitted to reside in the country.

Foreigners are not allowed to change their residence without notifying the police. Violators will be expelled.

Foreigners must leave Rumania upon the expiration of their visa. Prolongation will be granted only in exceptional circumstances.—Havas.

EX-PREMIER ARRESTED IN BELGRADE

Belgrade, To-day.

M. Stoyadinovitch, a former Yugoslavian Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister, was arrested here yesterday morning, following a police raid on his house.

During the raid, certain papers were seized.—Reuter.

The Yugo-Slav ex-Premier, Milan Stoyadinovitch, will be interned in a small provincial town.—Reuter.

Stoyadinovitch was well-known for his pro-German sympathies during his term as Prime Minister.

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ST. LOUIS (MO), TO-DAY.

SPEAKING TO THE ST. LOUIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE YESTERDAY, THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR, LORD LOTHIAN, SAID: "YOU MUST NOT EXPECT IMMEDIATE MIRACLES ALL OVER THE WORLD FROM A NATION WHICH NUMBERS ONLY 45,000,000."

"Maybe, as in other wars, the only victorious battle will be the last. We are fighting for security so that all nations will be free to live without fear, and with secure access to raw materials and the markets of the world.

"The Allies want to see Europe organised as a company of free nations united by some form of Federal organisation."

Lord Lothian declared the first line of defence of the Monroe Doctrine has always been that the principal naval power in Europe has supported it.

CONTROL OF H.K. DANISH FIRMS

It is notified that by Orders of the Chief Justice the branches in Hong Kong of the undermentioned Danish Companies formerly controlled from Denmark are placed under the Control of the Custodian of Enemy Property and are authorized to carry on business in accordance with the said Orders except with the Kingdom of Denmark and other Territory under Enemy Control.

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MR. HULL NOT A CANDIDATE

Washington, To-day.
Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, whose name has often figured in speculation over the possible Democratic presidential nominees, stated yesterday he was "not a candidate for anything."

Speaking with emphasis he told reporters he had no political aspirations.—Reuter.

HITLER PAYS HIGH PRICE

New York, To-day.

"Hitler has paid a tremendous price for an accomplishment which appears to be more spectacular than profitable," says the "Boston Herald."

The "Washington Evening Star" declares: "It is clear British sea power has altered the situation rapidly and materially to the Nazis' disadvantage. There is persuasive evidence that Germany has lost the initiative."

Most notable development in the American press is the sudden prominence given to the Dutch East Indies.

The "Baltimore Sun," recalling the East Indies exports of rubber, tin and oil, says that in view of the requirements of national defence, the United States could not fail to regard any alteration in the status of the Dutch Indies as a matter of vital importance.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAVIA AND MOSCOW

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

PROPOSALS FOR TRADE TALKS BETWEEN YUGO-SLAVIA AND RUSSIA WERE FIRST PUT FORWARD AT THE END OF MARCH BY THE YUGO-SLAV GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE MEDIATION OF THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO TURKEY, ACCORDING TO A STATEMENT ISSUED HERE.

It was suggested the negotiations should embrace the conclusion of trade talks, an agreement on the settlement of accounts and the establishment of trade agencies in the two capitals.

The Soviet Government consented to opening negotiations on these subjects, and a Yugo-Slav delegation is expected to arrive in Moscow within a few days.—Reuter.

The problem of defending it would have to be transformed if it had to be upheld from one side of the Atlantic and if the other side were held by a power hostile to it.

CONTRASTED AIMS

After defining and contrasting the Allied and German aims, Lord Lothian said:

"In these circumstances and because we believe you are opposed to a victory of the dictatorships, we hope you will take a lenient view of the interference we reluctantly make with your normal peacetime rights.

"Every channel into Germany helps to prolong the war, or, if it is a large one, to endanger victory."—Reuter.

GOEBBELS BROADCAST ON EVE OF HITLER'S BIRTHDAY

Berlin, To-day.

ON THE EVE OF HITLER'S birthday, the Propaganda Minister, Joseph Goebbels, broadcast an address to the nation.

He said: "These may be dissension on some matters but there is no difference, between one German and another in love, obedience and confidence towards the Fuehrer. That is the strongest armour protecting the nation in its fateful struggle.

"We are being put to a hard test.

Modern warfare is waged not only with arms but on the economic front and especially on the front of struggle for the soul of a nation.

"Propaganda to the German nation by plutocratic England has become utterly ineffective. The German nation must accept from England neither orders and messages nor encouragement.

"The nation has assembled its whole strength. The front line and the home front form a compact unit. Nobody complains, nobody questions.

"Whatever part we are playing individually we all have only one wish — long live the Fuehrer, and may he lead us as he has done hitherto to a brilliant German victory."—Reuter.

CHANCE FOR INACTION IN THE FAR EAST

Manchester, To-day.

"A CHANCE FOR INACTION" is the heading given by the "Manchester Guardian" to an article on the Netherlands East Indies.

What is to happen to the Netherlands East Indies if Holland is at war? asks the paper. Why should anything happen to them? Why should they not go on as they are now?

The paper recalls the statements of Mr. Arita and Mr. Cordell Hull expressing concern at the prospect of an invasion of the Indies, and continues that Germany is not going to get there any way and neither Britain nor France have any desire to interfere.

The paper goes on:—

"Everything is simple. It only remains for Britain, France, the United States and Japan to declare that however much Holland is at war they mean to leave the East Indies alone. Then no one will be a penny, dime or even the worse!" — Reuter.

GAZETTED

The following official appointments are gazetted:—

Miss S. D. Spencer to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss D. M. Sage to be a Mistress, Education Department.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes to be Registrar of Supreme Court, etc.

Messrs. Lee Iu-cheung, Lam Ming-fan and Chow Yat-kwong to be Members of the Medical Committee, Tung Wah Hospitals.

Mr. L. H. Chater to be a Member of the Authorised Architects Consulting Committee.

S.Q.M.-Sgt. R. I. Shrigley to be 2nd Lieut. in the H.K.V.D.C.

Messrs. F. C. Manning, H. E. Brewer and P. E. Young to be Acting Sub-Lieutenants in the H.K.N.V.F.

Capt. L. G. B. A. Campbell to be a Member of the H.K.N.V. Reference Board.

Signor G. Ros, Italian Consul in Canton, to be in temporary charge of the Italian Consulate-General.

Dr. R. G. Shannon to be a Member of the Dental Board.

Decorations For Officers of the R.A.F. DARING BERGEN BOMB EXPLOITS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AWARD OF THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS TO SQUADRON-LEADER GEORGE ERNEST PEACOCK FOR COURAGE IN LEADING THE RAID ON ENEMY WARSHIPS IN BERGEN IS ANNOUNCED IN THE "LONDON GAZETTE."

Similar awards are made to Acting Flight-Lieutenant Edgar Norman Ryder, for bringing down a Nazi plane during an enemy raid at sea in the air, and Flying-Officer Derek Jack French and Pilot-Officer William Arthur Mulloy, who successfully attacked a German cruiser in Bergen roadstead.

Mulloy, who was bomb aimer, secured a direct hit, the "Gazette" says, while Peacock displayed remarkable courage and determination.

After the original attack by his formation he returned alone and repeated his run over the target in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire, and on the return flight to his base he again turned back and shot down an enemy flyingboat into the sea.

INTENSE FIRE

French's and Mulloy's attack on a German cruiser was made in the face of intense anti-aircraft fire. The operation necessitated more than 1,000 miles of flying over the sea.

Ryder was ordered to investigate an enemy raid. He took off alone, shot down an enemy plane and then was forced to come down in the sea. His plane sank and Ryder, when at considerable depth, managed to extricate himself and was picked up by a trawler. — Reuter.

CLASHES IN FRANCE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

LAST NIGHT'S FRENCH WAR COMMUNIQUE SAID THERE WERE SHARP ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN FRENCH AND GERMAN RECONNAISSANCE PARTIES TO THE EAST OF THE MOSELLE AND IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF BLIES.

There were artillery actions in the Blies district.

Our fighters engaged enemy reconnaissance aircraft and brought down one in our lines and forced down another out of control behind the enemy lines. All our aeroplanes returned to their bases. — Reuter.

U.S. SUPPLY OF WAR MATERIALS

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

EXPORTS OF WAR MATERIALS IN MARCH AMOUNTED TO \$17,500,000 AND IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF THE YEAR TO \$61,000,000.

The March figures include \$1,000,000 worth of munitions, mostly planes, to Norway.

Britain and France, which appeared to be holding back until they were permitted to buy new type planes, slacked off sharply, France receiving licenses for only \$500,000 and Britain \$2,250,000 of war materials.

This was partly balanced by the large totals for which licenses were granted to the Dominions, particularly Canada, whose March licenses were valued at \$15,750,000, almost entirely aeroplanes.

Australia's licenses totalled \$1,600,000 and New Zealand nearly \$2,000,000. — Reuter.

GERMANY INCORRIGIBLE

New York, To-day.

Germany is making a big effort to prevent the Allies from utilising Norwegian ships at present in United States ports.

Georg Gyssling, the German consul, acting on instructions from Germany, has written to Norwegian shipping

Paris, To-day.
The Chamber of Deputies yesterday passed a unanimous vote of confidence in the Government.

The motion gives unqualified support to the Government and states the Chamber approves the Government's declaration and trusts it to continue to victory the war policy which has always obtained the approval of Parliament. — Reuter.

agents in the United States asking for the names of ships in Californian ports and requesting that they remain in neutral ports until the conclusion of the fighting in Scandinavia.

These representatives have made no comment but it is indicated they know no legal reason why they should supply the information. — Reuter.

HOW ALLIES SAVED BALKANS FROM INVASION

Stockholm, To-day.

THE "SOCIAL DEMOKRATEN" points out that an immediate German victory in Norway would have affected the Balkans, which would have surrendered to German pressure.

The Anglo-German war in Scandinavia will influence the attitude of the Balkans and Italy, and perhaps Russia as well.

The Italian tone towards the Allies sharpened the prospect of a division of the Allied Fleet and a weakening of the Allied position in the Mediterranean, but it is already clear that the Allies do not intend to divide their forces as Italy hoped, and since the German action in Norway was not so successful as expected, the situation must give rise to consideration in Italy.

American reaction to the German invasion is absolutely clear. The latest American aircraft will be delivered to the Allies without objection in any quarters.

A more active American foreign policy cannot be expected before the presidential election but all the Allies require is that deliveries of material continue.

"Summing up impressions in various quarters of the world, it is difficult to see what the Third Reich has

gained by the offensive in Scandinavia."

COMMAND OF NARVIK

The "Göteborg Ny Tid" says: "The news from Norway but tends to show that the English command Narvik. It is clear the Allies will not allow the Germans to dig themselves in."

The "Göteborg Handels Tidning" says: "It is the Germans' own fault if every one of the English reports show why one can't trust German reports." — Reuter.



"I HAVE A DATE WITH A QUEEN" Errol Flynn joyfully tells Donald Crisp in a scene from the Technicolour film "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex," which is currently packing them in at the King's Theatre.

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

BRITISH RULE IN INDIA

"The Nazis are fond of accusing England of using repression in her Empire, more particularly in India. In fact, England has provided India not only with social legislation equal to that in the most advanced countries in the world, but also with a splendid industrial equipment. In 1920, of the twelve persons chosen by the I.L.O. to represent the most important industrial countries in the world, one was an Indian.

"Since 1922 India has had 28 million workers, apart from peasant proprietors, 141,000 marine workers, 20,000,000 industrial workers and a railway system better than any in the world, except that of the U.S.A. Whilst it is becoming one of the chief industrial countries of the world, it is also developing legislation adapted to its economic development and designed to ameliorate the conditions of the worker.

"The Indian worker is no slave. He is the equal of any Englishman or Frenchman, so far as his rights and liberties are concerned. Since 1926 there has been a Trades Unions Act, based on that of England, which defines the obligations and rights prescribed for the enrolment of workers."

—La Caravane, Cairo.

cars and deported them, freezing and starving, to remote places where they are enslaved or starved.

It has gagged their mouths and paralysed their brains. It has set sons against their fathers and daughters against their mothers. It has defamed the God in whom they had faith. It has set spies upon them. It has beaten and robbed and imprisoned and tortured them. It has made their grandmothers testify against them from their graves and turned their race into a universal term of approbrium: dirty Jews; dirty Poles; dirty Czechs.

Yes, and to prevent the spread of this, the anti-human, the anti-God, the anti-man, the people of the democracies have taken upon themselves their own Moloch, put themselves under their own governments, accepted an unfamiliar and inhuman and dangerous discipline. But to be free. Eventually to be free. That is what this war is about.—N. Y. Herald Tribune.

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AMERICA'S POSITION

Technically the American neutrality problem will not be fundamentally changed by the spread of the European war into the Scandinavian area. Sentimentally, changes will result. The United States is brought closer to participation in some form or other.

American sentiment overwhelmingly supports the contention that the Scandinavian countries truly desired to remain neutral and that they should have been permitted to do so. That sentiment is explained partly by the large Scandinavian element in the American population. But quite independent of the Scandinavian population, American general sentiment, as a matter of principle, is against forcing a war on a people who want no part of it and had no part in starting it.

The official and popular assumption in the United States from the start has been and still is that this war is not the business of the American people, that it is European and not American. But as it spreads, as a bigger and bigger bloc of the American people get a direct interest and everybody gets an increasing indirect interest, the question mark relative to the possibility of America's ability to avoid being involved looms larger. As the developments become more puzzling the dangers as to the lengths to which they may carry increase correspondingly.

The American attitude toward the war and its line of development well may prove a decisive factor in the U.S. political situation. The stock of President Roosevelt as a prospective third term candidate moves upward as the combination of uncontrollable forces causes more persons to ask in increasingly serious tones whether it will be possible for the United States to avoid involvement. Right or wrong, this is a fact, even though the Roosevelt declared platform has been against getting in. This is explained at least in part by the fact that President Roosevelt is known as a big navy President, an advocate of being ready to meet situations which everybody hopes will never come.—"Maniller Bulletin."

WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING ABOUT

As far as Britain and France are concerned, this is a people's war. Now, since this is a fact, it is well to try to understand what the people, the people of the democracies who insisted that Hitler be stopped, are fighting about.

They are not fighting about geography, or colonies, or balances of imperial power. They are not fighting to prevent Germany from being strong. They are fighting to prevent the spread of something that threatens, not only their nations, but their individual existences, as human beings. They are fighting for human rights, individual human rights.

This is a war against the brutal and criminal powers that governments have usurped to themselves over all human rights.

It is not capitalism, not socialism, not any of the old bogies. It is the brutal, naked, criminal power of the runaway state. And they have seen that power spreading, octopus-like; they have seen people, individual human beings caught by its tentacles, disappear into its maw—millions of them.

It has divided families; it has broken into the family cash box; it has engaged in every criminal activity in murder, and arson, and infanticide. It has bent men's backs to labour of no conceivable human use. It has taken the food from their mouths in order to put guns in their hands and tell them to murder their brothers.

It has torn hundreds of thousands of people, individual people, from their homes, from the houses in which they live, and the soil on which they work, and thrown them, penniless upon a cold and cowering world. It has herded them into box

LUST FOR POWER

The lust for power on the part of the Nazi leaders, the reliance of the whole nation on force for the satisfaction of their ambitions, the sadistic inhumanities practised on the peoples whose lands they have ravished and overrun, these things constitute an outrage upon the Indian sense of decency, and upon their innate humanity which has bitten deep into the very soul of the Indian people.—Lord Zetland.

ALLIED AIR FORCE PLAN FOR TURKEY

PLANS FOR a vast Allied Air Force operating in the Near East from Turkish bases were discussed in the recent military talks in Ankara, capital of Turkey.

If war flared up in this area, aggressors would find their way barred by 3,000 British, French and Turkish planes. Such an air arm would be doubly important because of the great distances where no railways run.

The talks were conducted by Air Marshal Sir William Mitchell, commander of the British flying forces in the Near East; Gen. Jaunneaud, French Air Commander in the Eastern Mediterranean, and General Kilsikh, head of the Turkish Air Force.

Intensive construction of new air bases for Turkey is likely. Many British and French instructors went recently to train Turkish pilots.

READY FOR ANYTHING

Though the Turkish Air Force is now estimated at only 300 planes. American, British and French craft are on the way, and the Turks hope

NAZIS LOSING PRESTIGE

A neutral observer who has contributed articles to the Basler Nachrichten on "Behind the Scenes in Germany" has summed up his impressions.

The conviction that a German victory would free the country from Nazi rule is, he stated, widespread. The victorious generals would not take long, it is thought, in establishing their own regime and would probably sweep away a system so detestable to most of them.

On the other hand, many Germans are almost shocked to find themselves reflecting that only a speedy military defeat of Germany "can save the Fatherland and the world from sinking into anarchy."

It is not an uncommon thing to find in letter-boxes propaganda leaflets which read: "Help us to establish a Democratic Monarchy."

The writer thinks that the Hohenzollerns, especially since some of the ex-Kaiser's sons embraced Nazism, have lost caste. He suggests that one of the former ducal houses might supply a suitable Pretender.

In Roman Catholic circles there is a yearning for the old system of provincial State government.

A distraught public is more and more inclined to blame the Nazi regime for the muddle ensuing from the frequent countermanding of orders which have turned out to be either impracticable or which fulfil no useful purpose. All this strips the regime of more and more of its prestige. "The respect for the Nazi leadership is dwindling."

to more than double it in the coming year.

With the British and French Near East Forces, Allied air strength in this area would reach, it is estimated, 3,000 planes.

Air Marshal Mitchell, broadcasting recently from Cairo, declared Britain and Egypt were "building a combined force, ready and equipped to meet any aggression in the Near East"—Associated Press.

SPINSTERS PANIC CITY OF UNWED

Hundreds of spinsters, excited by Leap Year Day, ran wild in Aurora, Illinois. They seized scores of frightened bachelors and flung them into the city gaol.

At night, with the anti-bachelor reign of terror still in full swing, unmarried men fled the city with spinsters in pursuit.

The male Mayor and City Council of Aurora and blamed for these riotous scenes.

In what they intended to be dignified tribute to unmarried women, they handed over to them complete city rule for the day.

To-night most of the council were in hiding—flabbergasted and frightened with the war-like manner in which the women conducted the day's duties.

In the morning flying squads of unmarried women stormed down-town business offices, mobbed bachelors and dragged them into the streets.

Other flying squads raided public houses, clubs, trains and buses, roping in more bachelors.

The prisoners were herded into vans and taken to the city gaol where, by order of pretty Leap Year Mayoress Audrey Kesel, aged twenty-five, they were locked in the cells and fed on bread and water and taunted by their female gaolers.

LAWYERS ARRESTED

Wealthy prisoner Richard Welles sang, "I wish I'd someone to love me." Later, growing restless, he demanded to see a lawyer.

Three lawyers answered the call. They were all three found to be bachelors, so they were ordered to be imprisoned with Welles.

Dozens of prisoners were condemned in court by a spinster Judge as hopelessly insane, although some offered to kiss her.

TURNS LEVER GIVES NAZIS A FRIGHT

A mistake by an electricity power house worker has given German troops on the Western Front a shock.

The worker accidentally turned on the current to a village near the lines that has been thoroughly blacked-out since the beginning of the war.

Seeing the blaze of light from street lamps and houses, the Germans, thinking it the signal for a big attack, "stood to" and had, as a French officer describes it, "a few very bad minutes."

NO PEACE BEFORE NEXT WINTER

"I am not one of those who believe that we can settle with the Nazis before next winter," declared Captain Euan Wallace, the Minister of Transport, in London.

SWISS BAN A GERMAN POSTER

An angry crowd forced officials to remove a German poster from the window of a Swiss publicity firm in Zurich. "Take it away or we break every window in the building," cried the crowd. Police were powerless to calm the demonstrators.

The poster, a huge map that took up practically the whole of the window, bore the slogan: "Germany, stronger than ever in war, in national economy and export trade."

The map showed Poland as part of Germany, and the frontier towards Russia was marked "Russo-German zone of interest." Three aircraft and three submarines were shown travelling from Hamburg in the direction of England.

70-YEAR-OLD PATRIOT ARRESTED

Josef Truharsch, 70, president of the Sokol, the largest patriotic athletic organisation in the Czech Protectorate, was arrested by the Gestapo in his bedroom at 7.30 a.m. He was accused of having been associated, during the last war, with the erstwhile Czech secret opposition.

9 BLOWN-UP—ESCAPE

A mine caught in a trawl blew the Lowestoft trawler Halifax out of the water—but the crew of nine escaped death. They were picked up by a sister ship, the Ipswich, and landed at an East Coast port.

One of the crew told a reporter "The first we heard was a terrific explosion astern. The ship was lifted out of the water, and we were thrown about in all directions.

"Only one of us, G. White, the third hand, was slightly injured. Evidently the mine exploded by striking one of the heavy wooden doors of the trawl before it got near the ship. Otherwise there would have been very little chance for us.

"The engine room was wrecked, the steering gear put out of action, and the wheelhouse so damaged that if the skipper had been inside in-


stead of on deck he would have been hurt.

"The Ipswich came up in answer to our signals. After we had gone to her in our lifeboat she took the Halifax in tow.

"After two hours, however, we saw that the Halifax was setting down, and we went back to her and got our spare clothes and belongings just before she sank."

The crew of twenty-five of the Glasgow steamer Clan Stuart (5,760 tons), rescued by a French trawler after their ship had foundered in the Channel following a collision with another vessel, have been landed at a West Coast port.

The Dutch steamer Eulota (6,236 tons) has sunk after an explosion. The crew of forty-two were picked up by a British warship (says Reuter).



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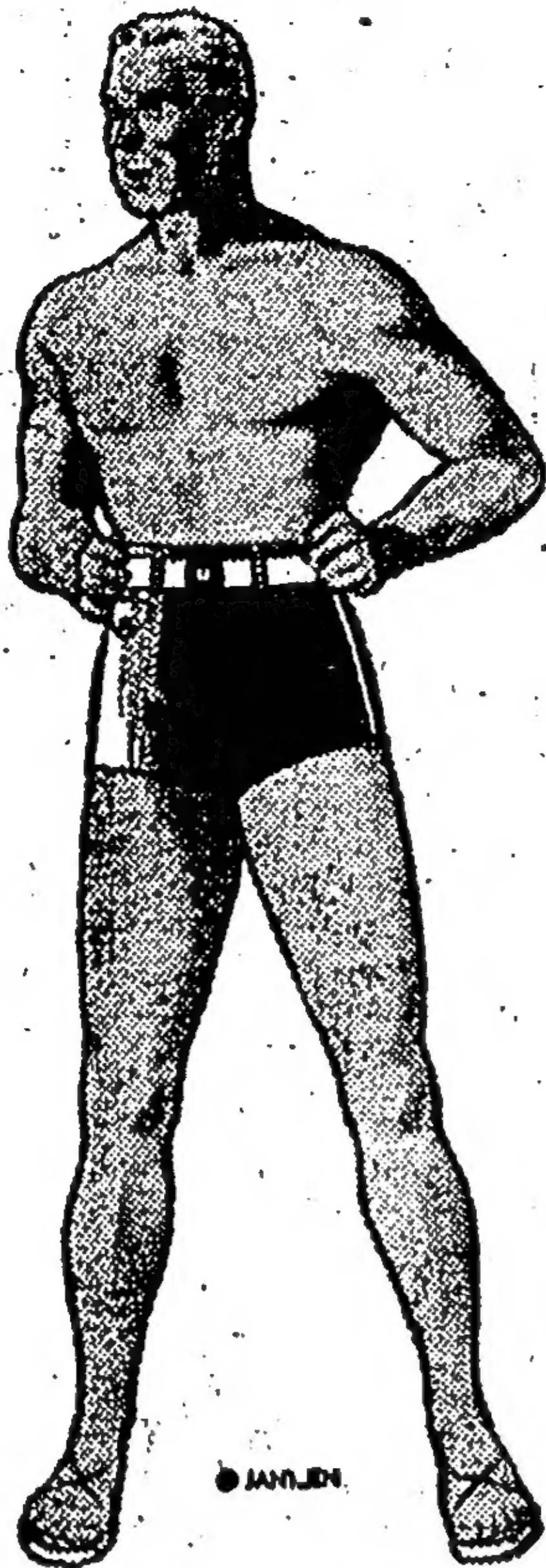
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He has the D.F.C. and the A.F.C. He is a record-breaker, and you would instantly recognise his name if I could give it. He is, of course, extremely well-known throughout the R.A.F., one of his peculiarities being that he flies in his breeches instead of his slacks, although the former are supposed to be bad for the circulation at great heights. In fact, he is very much the build of an amateur cross-country jockey, the sort of fellow who wins the Grand National or the Grand Military.

It is curious how most of the officers who have won the D.F.C. since the war broke out have the same rather hard look in their eye. Perhaps "gave" is a better word. It may also be a coincidence, but the seven or eight whom I have met scarcely have any noticeable lids to their eyes.

At first when I met them I decided that they had the kind expression which you find on most matadors. But I told myself that this was far too Ethel M. Dell-ish. The fact remains that they have this grave look.

Some group captains will tell you that they scarcely recognise some of their young officers compared with six months ago. They talk very quietly; they have matured overnight—though this particular squadron leader is slightly older than any other D.F.C. I have met.

I asked him about some of the points which he didn't mention in his broadcast. "How good are the Hun pilots?" I asked. "They fly beautifully, and are full of guts," he said. "As you probably know, they attack in single formation, and the same pilot will dive at you again and again, though his aircraft is riddled with bullets and the petrol is pouring out."

I asked him if it was true that there is an almost irresistible fascination in the sight of an enemy machine, which you have shot down yourself, going to its fate. He replied: "It is quite true, but you simply haven't time to watch it all the way down, because there will be another one on top of you at once."

Then I asked him what was the usual range at which you engage the enemy, and also what was meant by the phrase "wing-tip to wing-tip." He replied: "We usually engage them at about 600 yards down to 200 yards. But they may be as close as 50 yards, and when you consider the speed at which we are all going this margin of approach is very small, and it is easy to collide and crash."

Next I asked him the proportion of attacks from astern compared with other angles. It seems that six out of ten times they come at you from astern. Three times from "the quarter," which is diagonally from behind,

leaving about once in ten times for a beam attack (which is directly sideways), and practically never from either bow or ahead (bow being diagonally from the front.)

But, my word, you ought to see the tiny transparent seats in which the front and rear gunners sit in these bombers. The front gunner is right in the nose, ahead of the pilot; the rear gunner is all by himself on the very tail of the aircraft. And you should meet the air gunners. They are mostly kids from 18 to 23. If they hadn't gone into the R.A.F., they would be either winning first prizes in T.T. races or would be dirt-track riders or something.

I met five of them at this station. Two were 18, two were 19, and one was 20. Unlike the officers, they had none of that gravity when you meet them for the first time. They thoroughly enjoy the excitement, are bursting

By
**CHARLES
GRAVES**

to get a D.F.M. (one of the 19-year-olds had one), and only wish that they got more pay, like everyone else.

Their extra flying pay is actually 10s. 6d. a week. But they have hopes that they may soon be raised to the rank of sergeants. In addition to six days' leave every six weeks, they also get three extra days.

At the moment a number of pilots with war service between 1914 and 1918 are becoming air gunners. It has been found that their experience of dog-fights in the World War gives them an advantage of nearly six months in experience over air gunners who are new to the game. For, despite a lapse of 20 years, they have a sixth sense about approaching aircraft which they cannot see. This compensates for the slightly slower "response," or what a layman would term reaction, compared with their juniors.

But now let me take off my hat to a very gallant gentleman (if the censor will allow me to give his name) There arrived at this air station on Tuesday an officer with three rows of ribbons. They included the K.C.I.C. the C.S.I., the C.M.G., the C.I.E., the D.S.O., and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. He wore the uniform of a pilot officer and he is now passing out as an air gunner—ex-Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Arnold Wilson, M.P., who got the King's Medal and Sword of Honour at Sandhurst in 1903, went to the 32nd Sikh Pioneers in 1904, is now aged 55, and, if I am not mistaken, was a flying pupil of Ken Waller only six years ago.

Hitchin, which he has represented as the National Conservative M.P. since 1933, should really be proud of him. But so should the whole country, if it comes to that.

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



NORWEGIANS WOULD LIKE TO MEET MR. QUISLING

London, To-day.

"I don't know where Quisling is now, but I and a number of other Norwegians would very much like to get hold of him!" said a Norwegian official who has just arrived in London from Norway, where he has been in close touch with King Haakon and the Norwegian Government.

He said that the treachery from within had been over-emphasised. Much of it had been caused through false orders and announcements put over the radio by the Germans.

GERMAN AIR LOSS FIGURES

London, To-day.

The German claim that "during the last few days the British could only bring down 10 German planes," is ridiculed in authoritative circles in London.

It is stated that the official British bulletins covering the period April 6 to April 17 recorded 28 German aircraft destroyed and 19 badly damaged, probably lost.

To this must be added figures from Stockholm of six aircraft brought down or interned in Sweden and 10 destroyed by the Norwegians.

In addition, at the lowest estimate, 10 must have been destroyed in the bombardment of Stavanger.

Thus the total must be reckoned at 54 German aircraft lost and 19 badly damaged, probably lost.

British losses for the same period as officially announced are 25 aircraft of various types.—Reuter.

CUT FARES BY ITALY

Rome, To-day.

Italy has decided to reduce fares on the Italian State Railways by 33 per cent. for travellers going to the Paris Fair from May 4 to 25, according to Rome radio. It is added that visas will be issued free of charge.—Reuter.

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For instance, the Minister of Defence appointed by Quisling when the puppet government was formed was actually in Finland at the time and knew nothing about it. He has since arrived in Norway and has joined the Norwegian forces.

Again, Quisling's Minister of Justice has already placed himself at the disposal of the true Norwegian Government and another Minister has been captured by Norwegian soldiers.

He said that 2,000 German troops were arriving daily by plane, and his own estimate of the number of German troops in Norway at the moment is 60,000.

This is somewhat higher than other sources put it, some of them going as low as 30,000.

It is pointed out in London that the reinforcements arriving by air are only lightly equipped and armed.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS SEIZE JAP. SHIPS

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

FOUR JAPANESE FISHINGBOATS HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY A SOVIET PATROL BOAT WHILE FISHING OFF POSIET BAY, SOUTH-EASTERN SIBERIA, ACCORDING TO A DESPATCH FROM SEISHIN, KOREA.

The Russians are reported to have fired a machinegun at the boats and then taken them to Soviet waters.

Another Japanese fishingboat has been missing since Monday when it was also reported to have been attacked by a Soviet patrol boat off Posiet Bay.—Reuter.

SWISS AND REDS

Berne, To-day.

Communist demonstrations from April 30 to May 2 will be forbidden in Switzerland, although other political parties may hold demonstrations on May 1 and permits for processions will be given in each locality.—Reuter.

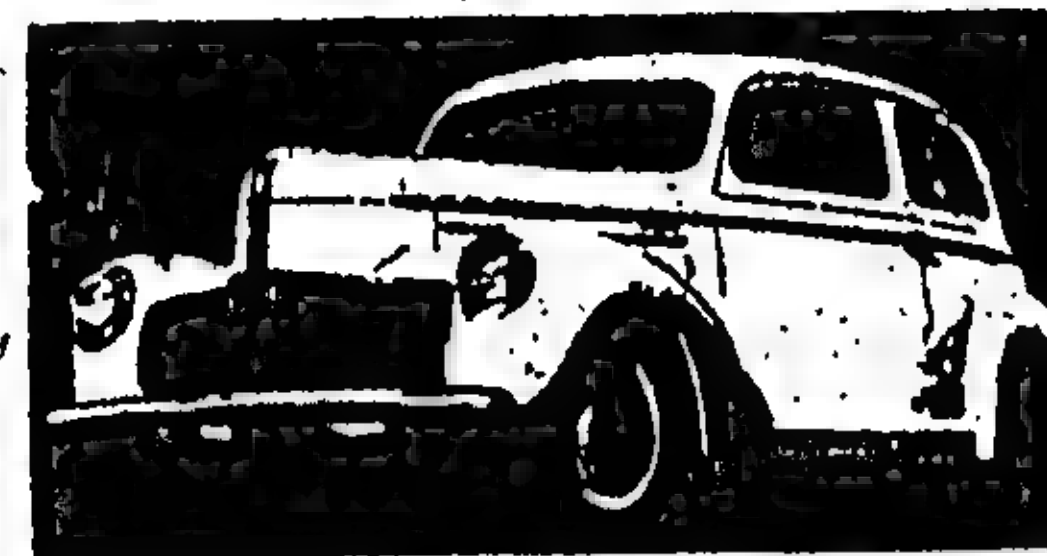


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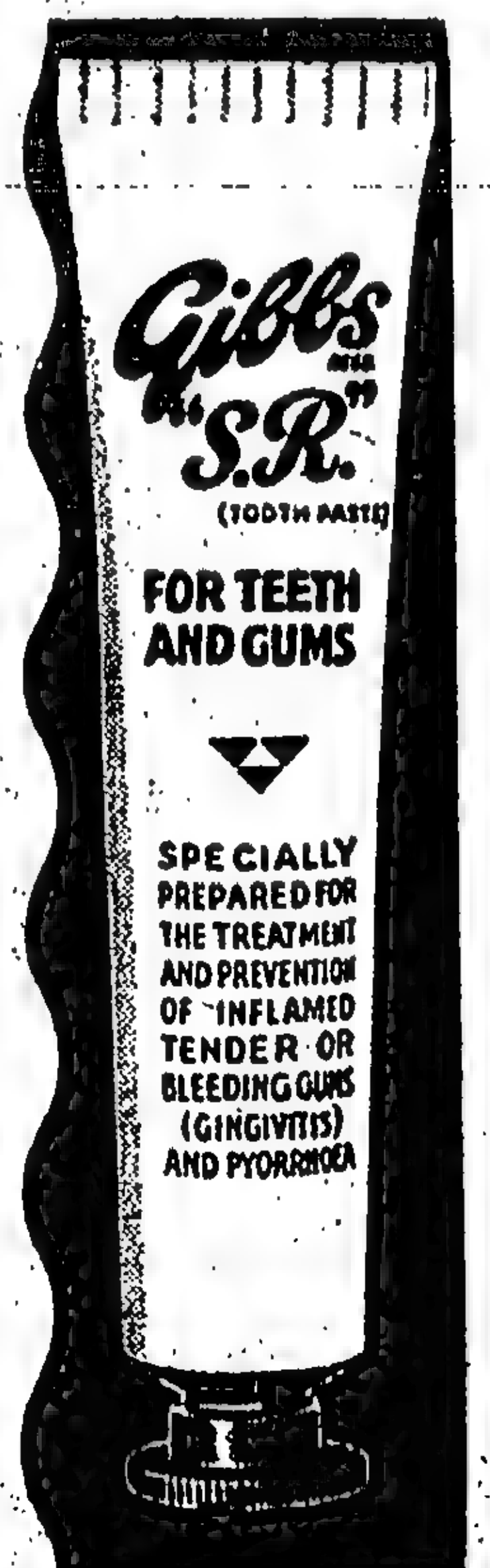
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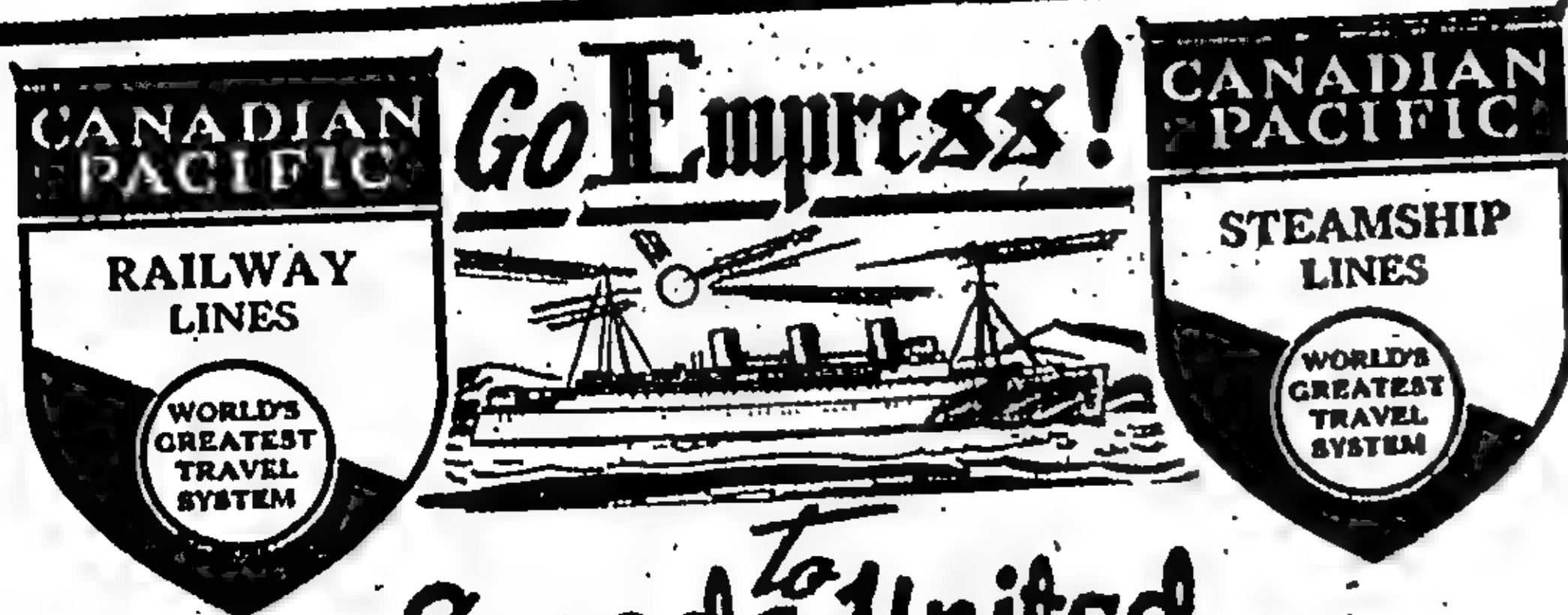
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Saigon	April 20.
Shanghai	April 20.
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Japan and Manila	April 21.
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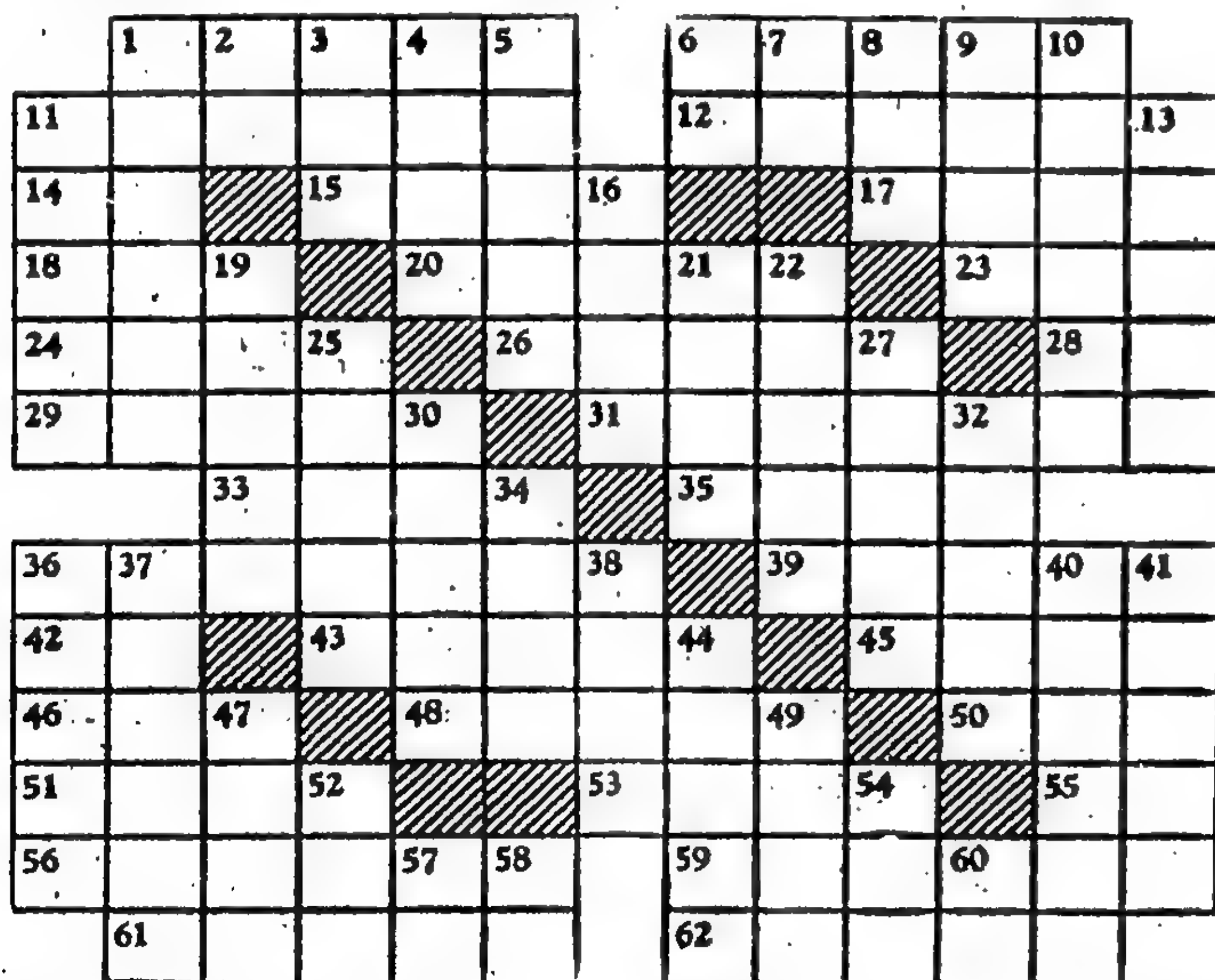
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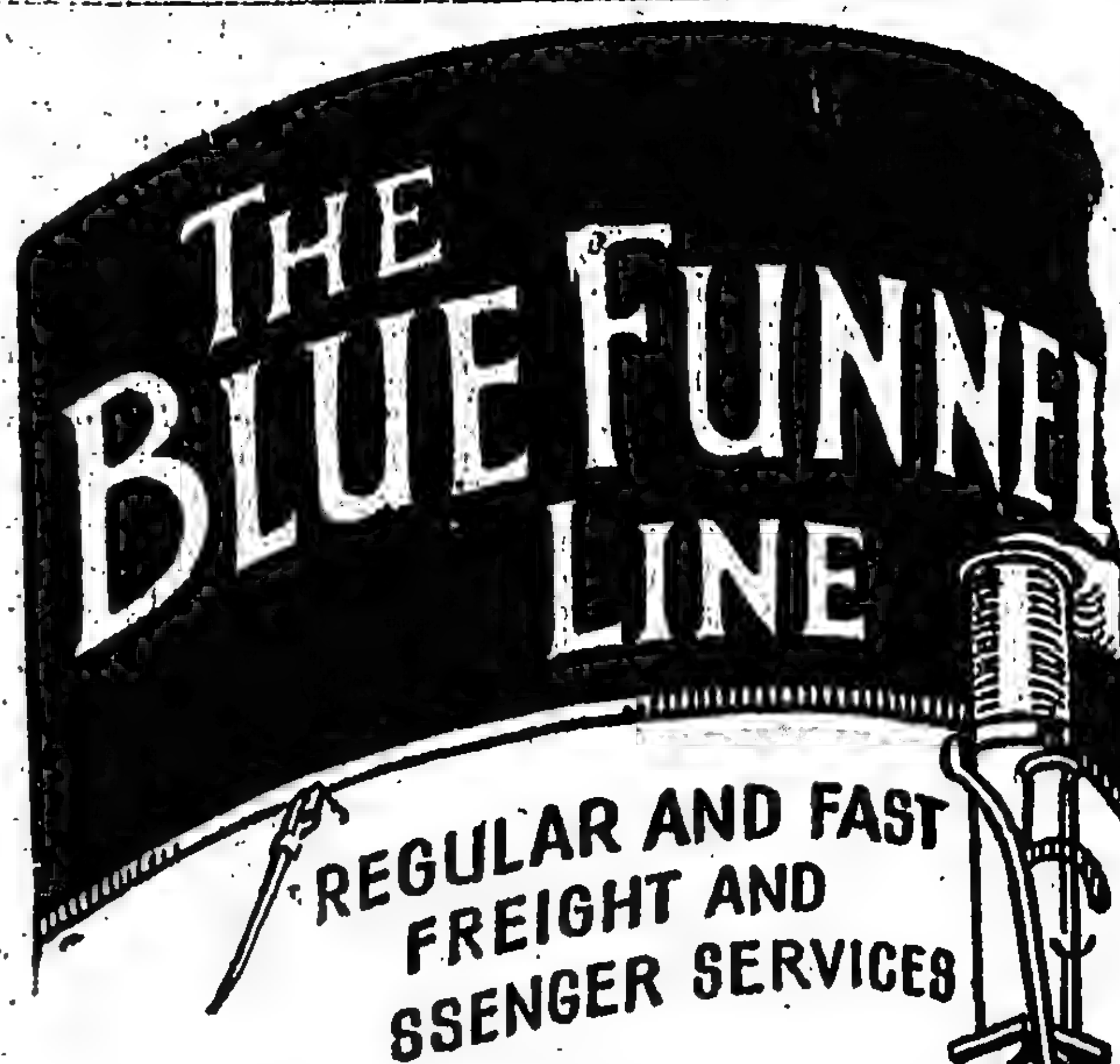
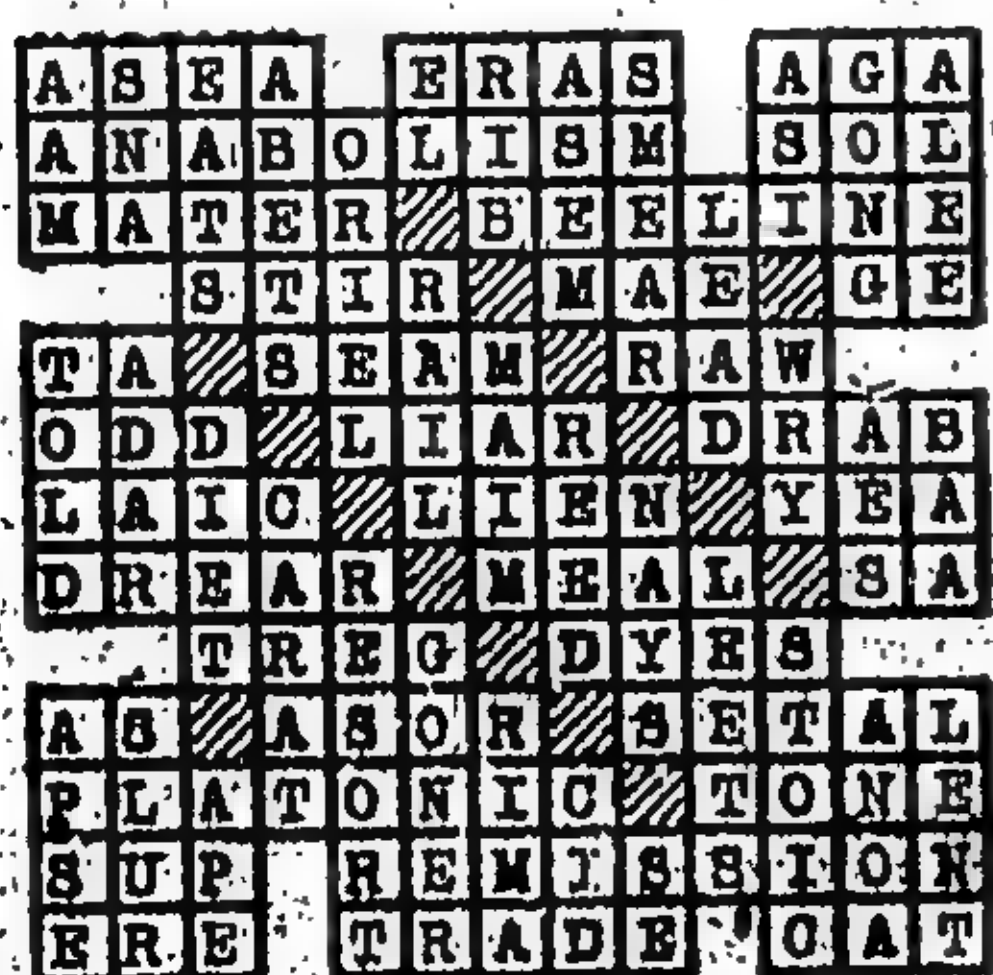
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Dirks
- 6 Light stroke
- 11 To confuse
- 12 Pineapple
- 14 Babylonian deity
- 15 Japanese aborigine
- 17 To appear
- 18 Girl's name
- 20 Deep sleep
- 23 Silkworm
- 24 To cease
- 26 Pertaining to dowry
- 28 Pronoun
- 29 Chinese coin
- 31 Ancient city on Tigris river
- 33 Heavenly body
- 35 Wax
- 36 Poet
- 39 Northern sea-duck
- 42 Periodic wind-storm
- 43 Oblivion
- 45 Palm genus
- 46 To employ
- 48 Augurers
- 50 Prefix on this side

VERTICAL

- 1 Slopes
- 2 Greek letter
- 3 Period of time
- 4 Goddess of mischief
- 5 Council
- 6 Symbol for samarium
- 7 Printer's measure
- 8 Ethiopian title
- 9 Arrow poison
- 10 World of fairies
- 11 Celebration
- 13 Iron worker
- 16 Preposition
- 19 Din
- 21 Pertaining to the ear
- 22 Hindu princess
- 25 Part of flower
- 27 Northern Greek city
- 30 Calls
- 32 Relating to Hindu literature
- 34 Network
- 36 To duck
- 37 To succor
- 38 Ramie-plant
- 40 Ancient Grecian country
- 41 Tears down
- 44 To burst out
- 47 To merit
- 49 To move
- 52 Negative
- 54 Suffix indicating abundance
- 57 Hebrew letter
- 58 Land measure
- 60 Pronoun

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ARTILLERY COMPETITION RESULTS

Champion Trophy
Won by Gnr. D. E. Smith, 1st Battery.

B.C.'s Cup
Won by Bdr. C. N. Dragon, 3rd Battery.

QUALIFICATION—MUSKETRY
The under-mentioned have classified as Marksmen (Rifle) and are entitled to wear the prescribed badge.
Sgt. J. G. Bailey, L/Cpl. T. A. Warnes.

CORPS SIGNALS

Pte. W. Eu, Pte. N. J. Booker.
MOBILE COLUMN—ARMoured CAR PLATOON

Sgt. G. E. R. Divett; Cpl. J. H. Fox; L/C. M. G. Carruthers; L/C. M. G. Carruthers; L/C. K. Crawford; L/C. J. Choa; Pte. D. W. Beeken; C.S.M. F. Brett; Pte. H. H. Andrews; Pte. L. A. Gibson; Pte. C. D. N. Walker; Pte. J. E. Tocher.

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Sgt. F. H. Neale; Pte. R. B. Quinlan; Sgt. A. I. Cash.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Cpl. V. M. Hammond; Sgt. R. Edwards; Pte. G. H. Aman; Pte. W. M. Groves.

NO. 2 COMPANY

P/Major W. C. K. Mackie; C.Q.M.S. J. C. Polson; Sgt. T. F. Stainton; Sgt. T. Swan; Sgt. A. K. McKenzie; Pte. W. C. Tillery; Pte. W. K. Mackie; Pte. G. A. Leiper; Pte. C. S. M. Thom; Pte. E. Curtis.

NO. 3 COMPANY

Sgt. V. H. White; Cpl. F. C. C. Quah; L/Cpl. N. Broadbridge; L/Cpl. N. A. E. Mackay; Pte. A. Lim; Pte. S. B. Izatt; Pte. S. L. Wong; Pte. N. Jaffer.

NO. 5 COMPANY

Pte. G. N. Gosano.

NO. 6 COMPANY

C.S.M. M. F. Baptista; Sgt. J. P. Baleros; Cpl. J. C. Remedios; L/Cpl. A. D'Alquino; L/Cpl. A. P. Pereira; L/Cpl. J. O. Sequeira; Pte. R. M. B. Gutierrez; Pte. R. D. Silva; Pte. G. A. Ribeiro; Pte. E. A. V. Remedios; Pte. R. M. Silva; Pte. F. G. Ribeiro; Pte. C. F. Remedios.

NO. 7 COMPANY

Sgt. H. L. Lockhart; L/Cpl. J. Lee.
A.S.C. COMPANY
Sgt. G. H. Cuthill; Pte. J. B. Kooter; L/Cpl. W. Hyde.

PROMOTION EXAMINATION—RESULTS

The following passed a Promotion Examination held on 12/4/40—
M.G. & L.G. CLASSIFICATION

CASUALS

Stonecutters
Sunday, 21st April. M. G. Casuals.

Nos. 2 and 3 Coys. Launch leave Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Kowloon Pier at 8.30 a.m. Dress—Muff but webbing belt must be worn.

Kowloon City Range
Sunday, 21st April. 9 a.m. L. G. Casuals. Nos. 4 and 6 Coys.

Kowloon City Range
Sunday, 5th May. M. G. Casuals. Mobile Column, No. 1 Coy. and No. 5 Coy.

PARADES CORPS ARTILLERY

1st Battery
Tuesday, 23rd April. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Class under 2/Lt. H. S. Jones and Sergt. Sleep. Dress—Overalls.

Friday, 26th April. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Class under 2/Lt. H. S. Jones and Sergt. Sleep. Dress—Overalls.

Wednesday, 24th April. Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Lecture by Lieut. (D.O.) W. Squires R.A. All members should attend. Dress—Overalls.

Wednesday, 24th April. Wellington Barracks. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Section. Dress—Overalls.

2ND BATTERY

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s meeting. All N.C.O.'s are requested to attend.

Sunday, 28th April. Peak Range. 8.30 a.m. Table A for all O.R.s. who have not yet fired.

All those who have not returned rifles drawn for the shooting on April 7th and 14th must do so immediately.

3RD BATTERY

Thursday, 25th April. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. for Aberdeen returning 10.00 p.m. Dress—K.D. jackets, trousers, S.D. caps, boots, web belt, water-bottle (filled). Overalls and G. P. shoes to be carried. Haversack rations will be provided.

CORPS ARTILLERY

4TH BATTERY

Monday, 22nd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.'s. All members deficient in uniform or equipment report to B.Q.M.S. Delgado. Old equipment (Bandoliers etc.) must be returned and changed.

Tuesday, 23rd April. D.E.L. School. 5.30 p.m. D.E.L. Personnel.

Friday, 26th April. Queen's Pier. 5.30 p.m. Returning 8 p.m. All No. 2 Gun, "B" relief B. C. Staff, "A" relief D.E.L. personnel. Dress S. D. cap, jacket, trousers, web belt and boots (Overalls and G. P. shoes to be carried).

5TH A.A. BATTERY

Sunday, 21st April. Queen's Pier. 9.30 a.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. Lecture. Dress—Muff.

Thursday, 25th April. Queen's Pier. 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Thursday, 25th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Section. Musketry. Dress—Overalls.

FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS

Monday, 22nd April. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Gas drill.

Thursday, 25th April. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Lecture by Lt. Hilton, R.E. "Modern Bridge Technique."

CORPS SIGNALS

Monday, 22nd April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Signal training.

Wednesday, 24th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Special class of instruction.

Friday, 26th April. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. Signal training.

MOBILE COLUMN

ARMoured CAR PLATOON

Monday, 22nd April. Hung Hom Workshop. 5.30 p.m. All Ranks. Crew drill and driving instruction.

Friday, 26th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. All Classes. Anti-Gas training.

MOTOR MACHINE GUN PLATOON

Monday, 22nd April. Hung Hom Workshop. 5.30 p.m. All Ranks. Lecture—Internal Combustion Engines.

Friday, 26th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s. Class.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Tuesday, 23rd April. No. 6 Squad. H. Q. 5.15 p.m. for Kennedy Road. Remainder. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. as Company programme.

Friday, April 26th. No. 7 Squad H.Q. 5.15 p.m. for Kennedy Road. Remainder. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. as Company programme.

NO. 2 COMPANY

Sunday, 21st April. Stonecutters. M. G. Classification. All men who have not yet fired this course must do so on this date. For details see para. 6 (a) above.

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s. Class.

Thursday, 25th April. No. 6 Platoon. Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. M. G. training. No. 7 Platoon. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Training programme parade. No. 2. Belt and frog to be worn.

NO. 3 COMPANY

Sunday, 21st April. Those detailed. M. G. Classification at Stonecutters. Dress—Muff with web belt. See details in para. 6 (a) above.

Monday, 22nd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Training as in Company training programme.

Thursday, 25th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Training as in Company training programme.

NO. 4 COMPANY

Sunday, 21st April. Kowloon City A Range. 9 a.m. L. G. Classification Table D. All those who have not already fired. Range Officer—2/Lt. D. E. Davis.

Friday, 26th April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. Lesson 14.

NO. 5 COMPANY

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Special instructions as ordered by O. C. Coy.

NO. 6 COMPANY

Sunday, 21st April. Kowloon City Range. L. G. Classification. Firing starts at 8.45 a.m. Those who have not yet fired and recruits who failed to classify will attend. Dress—Optional, but belt and pouches must be worn when firing. Range Officer as detailed by O. C. Coy.

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Foot & arms drill.

NO. 7 COMPANY

Thursday, 25th April. H. Q. 5.45 p.m. Respirator drill and Gas Chamber.

Sunday, 28th April. Kowloon City Range. L. G. Classification Table D. All men not yet classified will fire.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS COMPANY

Tuesday, 23rd April. H. Q. 5.30 p.m. Supplies Section and those detailed from Transport Section. Squad drill. Dress—Overalls and S. D. cap.

Thursday, 25th April. Kowloon Bus Company's Garage, Castle Peak Road. 5.30 p.m. Transport Section. Lecture. Dress—Muff. Transport as usual.

Friday, 26th April. Sunday, 28th April, inclusive. R.A.S.C. Camp. Volunteer Officers and N.C.O.'s attached for training purposes. Details will be issued later.

FIELD AMBULANCE

Wednesday, 24th April. St. Paul's College. 5.30 p.m. Lecture.

Friday, 26th April. St. Paul's College. 5.30 p.m. Lecture.

PAY SECTION

Friday, 26th April. Command H. Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s detailed by O. C. Unit. Practical work on Soldiers' accounts.

COMMAND

Lieut. K.M.A. Barnett to command the 3rd Battery during the period of absence on leave of Captain N. Garland.

PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

2909, Bdr. G. L. Eastgate, 3rd Bty. Sgt. 19.4.40.

2503, Bdr. D. J. Leonard, 3rd Bty. A. L/Sgt. 19.4.40.

2509, Bdr. A. Hussain, 3rd Bty. A. A. L/Sgt. 19.4.40.

2952, Cpl. J. H. Fox, Armcd. C. Pl. Sgt. 20.4.40.

3047, L/Cpl. M. A. Cairns, Mob. Col. H. Q. Corpl. 20.4.40.

2055, L/Cpl. L. A. Hurlow, Mob. Col. H. Q. Corpl. 20.4.40.

2138, L/Cpl. K. Crawford, Mob. Col. H. Q. Corpl. 20.4.40.

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AFFILIATED UNIT

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LECTURE

The next lecture in Home Nursing will be held on Friday, 26th April at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road at 5.30 p.m. Transport will leave Volunteer H. Q. at 5.15 p.m. Outdoor uniform will be worn.

STRENGTH DECREASE

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Sgd. I. M. S. BRUADE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

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"SUBJECT—DOCTRINE OF ATONEMENT."

The subject of the Lesson sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow April 21st will be—"Doctrine of Atonement."

The Golden Text will be—"The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." (Matt. 20:28.)

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TENNIS

LACK OF EXPERIENCE COST PEARCE AND FAY MATCH

(By "ADREM")

THROUGHOUT MOST OF THE first set yesterday at Stand Court of Hong Kong Cricket Club T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay managed to extend E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in their Colony doubles tennis tie, chiefly through powerful serving and hard hitting overhead.

The K.C.C. combination, who eventually won 6-4, 6-3, were unable to settle down to their usual quiet methods and their youthful challengers more than held their own in some excellent rallies.

In the second set, however, Fay's service was collared and, gaining confidence all the time, Fincher and Hung were never really troubled to win the set at 6-3.

Games went with services in the first set, the eventual winners going out on a break-through of Pearce's service in the seventh game.

LOSERS PROMISING

Fay lost both his service games in the second set although he was crashing over his first delivery as fast as ever.

The Cricket Club pair played some very nice strokes yesterday and were always looking for outright winners. That they did not do better can be attributed to their lack of experience and the fact that they were up against one of the most seasoned combinations in the Colony.

They are, nevertheless, one of the most promising pairs to have appeared in the current tournament and I expect them to make their mark in Hong Kong tennis before very much longer.

INTERPORT SOCCER

STRONG TEAM FOR SAIGON

The following players have accepted the invitation of the Hong Kong Football Association to make a tour to Saigon, for the Interport games.

Replies are awaited from four other players invited.

Tam Kwan-kon (South China "B") and Sammy Tsang (St. Joseph's) (goalkeepers); Lee Yin-sang (South China "A"), Hou Yung-sang (South China "B"), Lee Kwok-wai (Kwong Wah) (full-backs); K. Farrow (Club), Soong Ling-sing (South China "A"), Leung Wing-chiu (South China "A"), L/Bdr. Guy (30th Bty. R.A.) and Bds. Bright (Middlesex) (half-backs); Lee Wai-tong (South China "A"), Fung King-cheong (South China "A"), W. Pryde (Club) and Spr Fox (Royal Engineers) (forwards).

EASTERN WIN CHARITY GAME

Manila, To-day.

Fielding their second string Eastern defeated an all Chinese team by 4 goals to 2 last night without difficulty and led at the interval by two clear goals.

The ball was auctioned during the interval and was purchased by the Sing Dry Fish Association for 1,200 pesos.

The game was in aid of the China War Relief Fund.

A large crowd is expected at tonight's game against Y.C.O. the champions.—Reuter.

SCHOOL SPORTS

At the annual sports of the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians, held at Soerabaja yesterday, the senior championship was won by M. Mooga and the junior championship by Gurba-chan Singh.

At the same time the senior championship of the Yau-mat Government School was held at the Central British School yesterday.

HOCKEY

POLICE TRY-OUT FOR MACAO

(By "SPORTSHAWK")

Police undoubtedly played their best hockey this season at Boundary Street yesterday afternoon when, although beaten by a team from Rajputana Rifles, they demonstrated improved stickwork and combination.

The object of this friendly hockey match was to test their ability, as a team and individually, prior to travelling to Macao to-morrow for their annual match with the Portuguese Colony.

Despite yesterday's defeat—by 6 goals to 2—they were fully satisfied with the line-up selected and no changes will be made.

Parker, selected at inside-left, was not available yesterday and Rothwell was seen in his position. There was no other change.

Jasbir Singh (B293) scored both goals for the Police, while the goal scorers for the Rifles were Lt. Inderjit Singh (4), Rfr. Takhat Singh and Lt. Sharma Singh.

Following will sail for Macao to-morrow:

Balwant Singh (B739); Man Singh (B611) and Blackburne; Leslie, Mehar Singh (B803) and Brown; Teja Singh (B799), Wall, Jasbir Singh (B293), Parker and Narwant Singh (B431).

Reserves:—B616 and B560; Referee Rothwell and manager A. S. P. Luscombe.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY WIND-UP

The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club's season is coming to a close this afternoon with two intra-Club matches on the "Y" ground, where tea will be served, if the weather permits, and photographs taken.

The first match will start at 3 o'clock, and will be between the "Y" Ladies (Caer Clark Champions for the fourth successive year) and the Men's 2nd XI.

The second match will be between the Civilian and Service members of the 1st Team; Service members are asked to wear white shirts.

The teams are as follows.

Civilians:—Benwell; A. N. Other and Youreiff; Kempton, McEllan and Broch; Smith, Colledge, Taylor, Gilchrist and Bates. Services:—Dove; Jordan and Tomlinson; Coombe, Pennington and Waldron; Highlands, Gemmell, White, Corser and Walls.

2nd XI:—Millington; Killen and Grant; Ireson, Smith and Jeffrey; Banks, Dormer, Stone, Greenberg and Bevan.

"Y" Ladies:—Miss S. Bruce; Mrs. Anne Dudley and Mrs. I. Stone; Miss M. McCaw.

Mrs. Starbuck and Mrs. Ashman; Mrs. Violet Fowler, Miss B. Harker, Miss D. McCaw, Mrs. Macklin and Miss Buchanan.

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People at a North-East Coast fishing village are living in anxiety because a mine has become wedged on the rocks about a quarter of a mile from shore.

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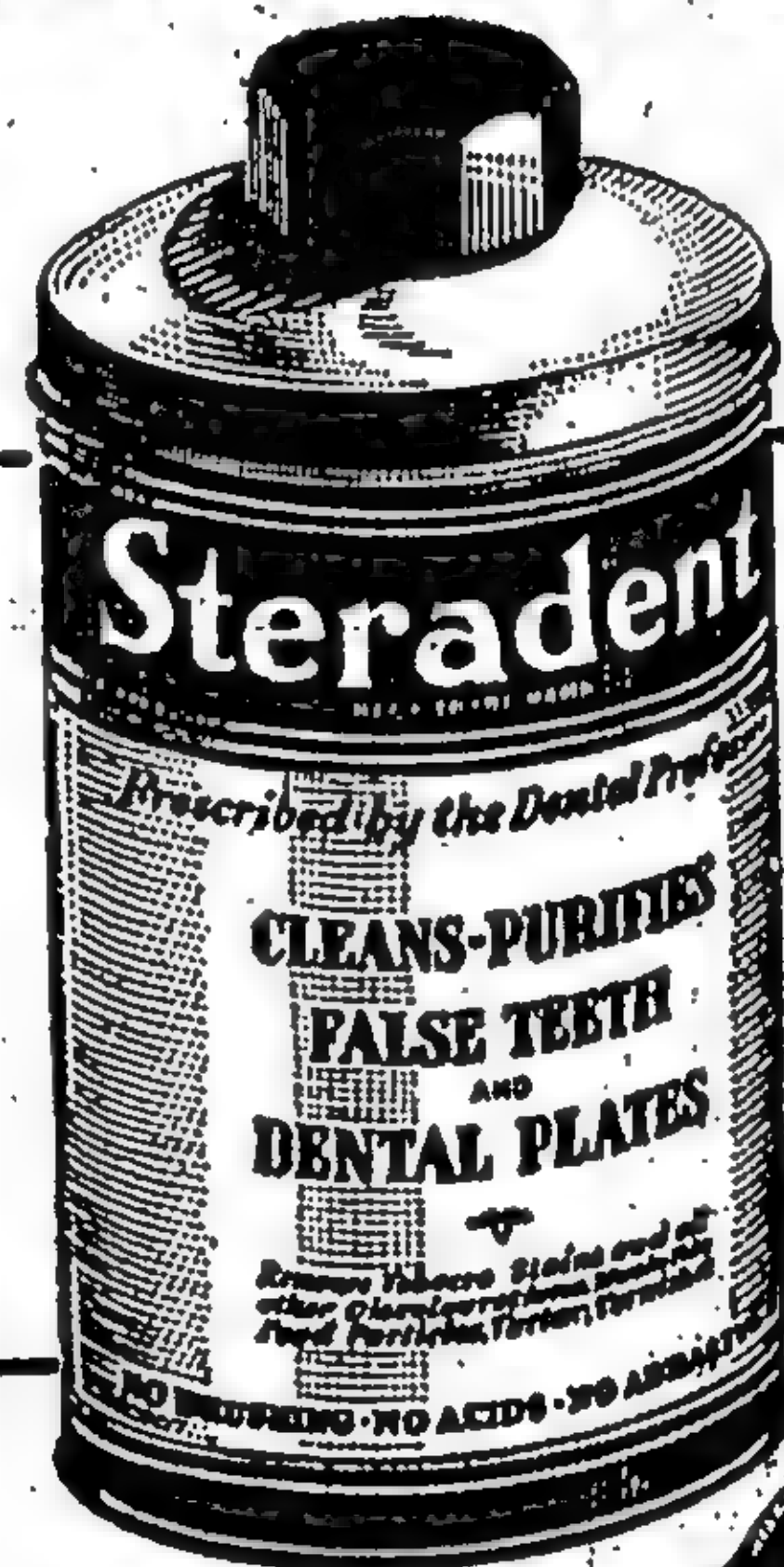
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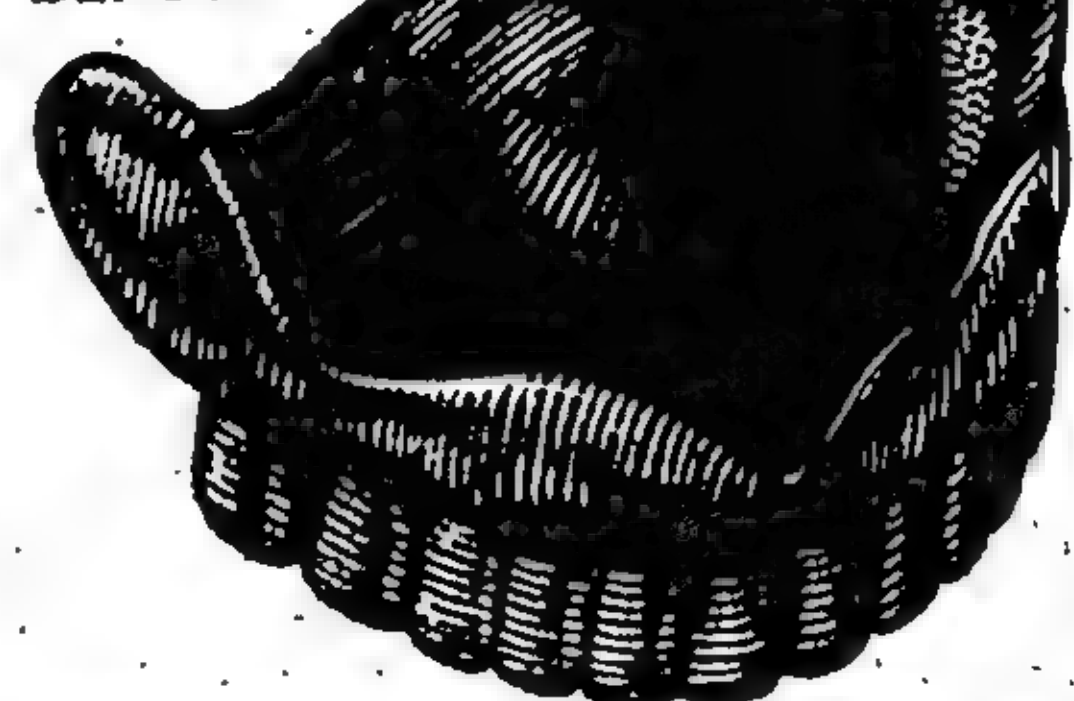
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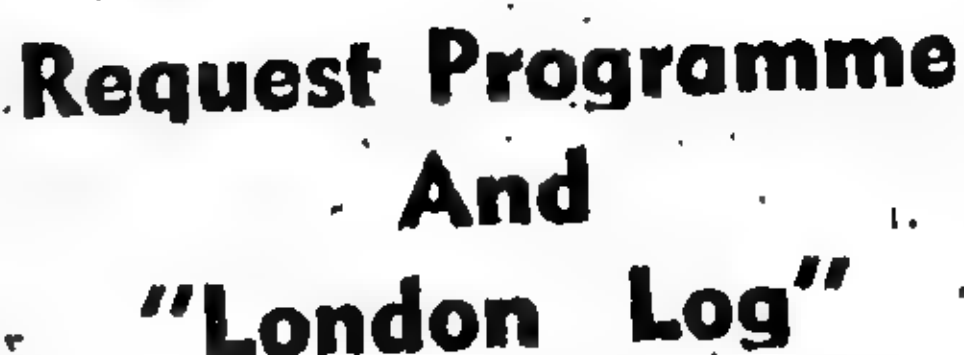
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THE 1940 RACING GUIDE

Following gives all placed ponies in every race, the distance, the time, won by, weight and jockey, and the figure AMI denotes the first day of the Annual Meeting, 1st E, First Extra Meeting:

China Ponies

- Half Mile:—
1.05.3—Valorous (Treverton, 155); 2, Radium Star (Hoo Pak-ming, 168); 3, The Tigress (R. K. C. Chui, 168). 1½ and 1½. 2nd E.1.
- ½ Mile. 170 Yards:—
1.02.4 (record)—Spicylight (Moller, 164); 2, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 3, White Diamond (Pih, 159). ½ and many. A.M.3.
- 1.04.3 (record)—Racylight (Moller, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, White Diamond (Pih, 159). 4 and 2. A.M.2.
- 1.11.2—Rose Evelyn (Treverton, 158); 2, Portrush (Yeung Wing-kwai, 151); 3, Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 150). 1½ and 2. 1st E.
- 1.12.0—Palmer (Wei, 153); 2, Lucky Eleven (Liang, 147); 3, Arabian Cat (Black, 150). ¾ and ¾. A.M.5.
- Six Furlongs:—
1.21.2 (record)—Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 2, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161); 3, Eve of Folly (Proulx, 159). 6 and many. A.M.4.
- 1.22.4 (record)—Spicylight (Moller, 161); 2, Craigavad (Liang, 161); 3, Possible (Wei, 158). 6 and ¾. A.M.1.
- 1.23.1—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 156); 2, Humdrum Eve (Pih, 151); 3, Lilliber (Gram, 152). 2 and dead heat. A.M.2.
- 1.23.3—Dupont Bay (Black, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man-wa, 158) and White Diamond (Pih, 158). 2½ and dead heat. 1st E.
- 1.25.2—Lancashire Lass (Chao, 154); 2, Oak Bay (Needa, 148); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 156). 1½ and 1. A.M.2.
- 1.26.1—White Diamond (Pih, 156); 2, Hopeful Star (Hearne, 159); 3, Oonagh (Needa, 150). 4 and 2. 2nd E.2.
- 1.27.3—National Pride (H. M. Botelho, 138); 2, Boolat Bay (Gram, 168); 3, Rose Queen (Poy, 156). Short head and 2. A.M.4.
- 1.28.0—Dupont Bay (Hearne, 169); 2, Rose Emily (Poy, 140); 3, Avon (Needa, 145). 3 and 2. 2nd E.1.
- 1.28.1—Galveston Bay (Hearne, 161); 2, Boolat Bay (Tao, 161); 3, Rose Queen (Poy, 158). Short head and 6. 1st E.
- 1.29.3—Willynilly (Chiu, 142); 2, Smiling Time (Wei, 140); 3, Chatterbox (Encarnacao, 152). 2 and ½. A.M.5.
- 1.30.1—Clowner (Ip, 148) and Sylvandale (Hearne, 140); 3, Soldier of Britain (Fung, 168). Dead heat and 1½. A.M.4.
- 1.31.4—Bressay (Hearne, 159); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 148); 3, Portrush (K. W. Fung, 158). 2 and 1½. A.M.5.
- 1.35.2—Blue Diamond (Wei, 145); 2, King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 150); 3, Lancashire Lass (Chao, 163). 2 and 1½. 2nd E.1.
- 1 Mile:—
1.51.2 (record)—Burford (Pih, 161); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Hearne, 161). A.M.3.
- 1.52.4—Craigavad (Encarnacao, 163); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Black, 151). ¾ and ¾. A.M.5.
- 1.53.1—Clember (Chao, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, Johnber (Gram, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.4.
- 1.54.1—Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 168); 2, Lilliber (Gram, 152); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 155). 2½ and 2. A.M.3.
- 1.54.3—Burford (Pih, 168) and Confusion Bay (Black, 158); 3, Mount Hope Bay (Proulx, 156). Dead heat and 3. 2nd E.2.
- 1.59.0—Johnber (Chao, 153); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 156); 3, Oonagh (P. Botelho, 148). 1½ and 4. 2nd E.1.
- 2.01.0—King Kong (Chao, 159); 2, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 159); 3, Salvage Master (Pan, 150). 6 and many. A.M.4.
- 2.02.0—Musketeer (Liang, 157); 2, Celtic Star (Marshall, 165); 3, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165). 4 and 2. A.M.2.
- 2.02.4—Gay Star (Needa, 158); 2, Hughber (Chao, 151); 3, Distinctive Time (Wei, 161). ½ and 2. 2nd E.2.
- 2.06.0—Guinness Time (Wei, 168); 2, Advancing Time (Chao, 151); 3, Laughing Girl (Liang, 158). 1 and 4. 2nd E.2.
- 2.09.2—Bogey (Chiu Ki Fan, 140); 2, Gog (Sadick, 161); 3, Valorous (Wood, 158). 4 and 1½. A.M.4.
- 2.15.3—Phoenix (Liang, 153) and Chatterbox (Black, 155); 3, This Time (Wei, 151). Dead heat and 2½. 2nd E.1.
- 2.18.0—Fei Ying (Wei, 146); Portrush (Needa, 158); 3, Double Chance (P. Botelho, 161). 1 and 2. 2nd E.1.
- 1 Mile 171 Yards:—
2.06.1—Oonagh (P. Botelho, 158); 2, Johnber (Chao, 168); 3, Distinctive Time (Tao, 168). ¾ and short head. 3rd E.
- 2.06.4—Bear Claw (Black, 159); 2, Galaxy (Chao, 155); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 156). ¾ and ¾. A.M.5.
- 2.08.1—Jennifer (Marshall, 157); 2, Expansion Time (Wei, 151) and Potentate (Encarnacao, 157). 2 and dead heat. A.M.5.
- 2.12.3—Tampa Bay (Wei, 159); 2, Boolat Bay (Tao, 163); 3, Galveston Bay (Hearne, 156). Short head and short head. A.M.1.
- 2.12.3—O-Lan (P. Botelho, 163); 2, Rose Emily (Poy, 145); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 151). 3 and neck. 2nd E.1.
- 2.13.3—Jennifer (Black, 156); 3, Jobber (Chao, 154); 3, King Kong (H. M. Botelho, 150). 3 and neck. 2nd E.1.



161). Head and 2. 2nd E.2. Jennifer was disqualified for crossing and Peaceful View was awarded third place.

- 2.13.4—Strathbannock (Black, 163); 2, Guinness Time (Wei, 155); 3, Clowner (Ip, 146). Short head and 2½. A.M.1.
- 2.15.4—Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 2, Strathbannock (Black, 171); 3, Celtic Star (Marshall, 165). 3 and 3. A.M.3.
- 2.17.0—This Time (Wei, 140); 2, Night View (Pih, 163); 3, Some Hope (Hearne, 145). 1½ and short head. A.M.3.
- 2.18.4—Phoenix (Liang, 152); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 140); 3, Bressay (Hearne, 154). 5 and neck. A.M.3.
- 2.19.4—Chatterbox (Yeung Wing-kwai, 160); 2, Some Hope (Chiu Ki-fan, 148); 3, Wilber (Ho Hong-ping). 1½ and 1. 3rd E.
- 2.21.3—Portrush (S. W. Lee, 158); 2, Ascot Vale (Sequeira, 140); 3, Double Chance (Yeung Wing-kwai, 156). 1½ and 2. 3rd E.
- 2.25.1—Wilber (Ho Hong-ping, 140); West Lake (Yeung Wing-kwai, 153); 3, Some Hope (Coppin, 153). Short head and 3. 2nd E.2.
- ¼ Mile:—
2.20.4 (record)—Burford (Pih, 161); 2, Satinlight (Moller, 161); 3, Confusion Bay (Black, 161). 2 and 3. A.M.4.
- 2.22.0—Confusion Bay (Black, 159); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 148); 3, Navy-light (Moller, 162). 2 and ½. A.M.2.
- 2.24.4—Racylight (Moller, 160) and Greiber (Gram, 161); 3, For All Time (Wei, 161). Dead heat and 5. A.M.4.
- 2.24.1—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Greiber (Gram, 161); 3, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161). 5 and many. A.M.1.
- 2.28.1—Hopeful Star (Hearne, 151); 2, Avon (Black, 140); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 157). Neck and ½. 1st E.
- 2.28.1—Jobber (Chao, 154); 2, Peaceful View (Pih, 158); 3, Rose Jane (Poy, 140). 5 and short head. 1st E.
- 2.31.3—Just In Time (Wei, 156); 2, Galveston Bay (Needa, 149); 3, Boolat Bay (Black, 148). 3 and short head. 3rd E.
- 2.32.4—Advancing Time (Chao, 154); 2, Scenic View (Pih, 154); 3, Soldier of Britain (F. F. Li, 154). Many and neck. 3rd E.
- 2.48.4—Celtic Star (Tao, 155); 2, Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 3, Clowner (Ip Kuying, 145). Short head and 2½. 2nd E.1.
- ½ Mile:—
2.50.4 (record)—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Burford (Pih, 161); 3, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161). ½ and many. A.M.2.
- ¾ Mile:—
3.41.3—Navylight (Moller, 161); 2, Confusion Bay (Black, 161); 3, Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 158). Neck and many. A.M.1.

Australian Ponies

- ½ Mile 170 Yards:—
1.00.2—Connieber (Gram, 152); 2, Ascot I y (Chao, 155); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). ¾ and 1½. A.M.5.
- 1.00.3—Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 2, Spring Shire (Chao, 152); 3, Princess Clara (Liang, 153). 6 and 3. A.M.3.
- 1.01.0—Flying Dutchman (Needa, 152) and Sparrow (Chao, 153); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). Dead heat and short head. A.M.3.
- 1.03.0—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2, Franklin (Needa, 146); 3, Fair Chance (Proulx, 148). 2 and short head. 2nd E.2.
- Six Furlongs:—
1.16.2—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Sparrow (Wei, 152); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). ¾ and 4. A.M.1.
- 1.17.2—Lancashire Chips (Wei, 155); 2, Criffel (Needa, 150); 3, Double Finesse (S. W. Pan, 140). 4 and short head. A.M.1.
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RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1.
GAY STAR
DISTINCTIVE TIME
HUGHBER
Outsider: — Eve of Folly.
- Race No. 2.
FRANKLIN
TWILIGHT STAR
VIOLET QUEEN
Outsider: — Centre Court.
- Race No. 3.
CLEMBER
HOPEFUL STAR
POSSIBLE
Outsider: — White Diamond.
- Race No. 4.
AVON
BEAR CLAW
JOBER
Outsider: — Humdrum Eve.
- Race No. 5.
WILLYNILLY
SMILING TIME
BRESSAY
Outsider: — Portrush.

SOCCER

IMPORTANT SECOND AND THIRD DIVISION MATCHES

WITH THE First Division title already settled, remaining interests in the local football League are the runners-up position of Second Division, and the Third Division championship game between Service Corps and 24th Royal Artillery.

30th R. A. and Royal Engineers will now be meeting for the fourth time this season and though Sappers were somewhat fortunate in winning on Wednesday, they are quite able to again upset the Gunners.

A great game is expected at Soekunpoo when Service Corps meet 24th Royal Artillery in the deciding game for the Third division title.

In the last game Service Corps won comfortably but have shown a falling-off in form recently, while Royal Artillery have not played League games for some time.

Several First Division games are down for decision but to most clubs it is just a case of completing their fixtures.

To-morrow the annual game between the First Division Champions and "The Rest" will be played on Club ground after which the trophies and medals won during the year will be presented.

THREE GAMES FOR VISITORS

The Chung Hwa Girls' Basketball team, the Philippines all-Chinese team touring Hong Kong, will play their first game to-morrow against an All-Hong Kong girls' team at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Three matches have been definitely fixed. The proceeds will go to the Chinese Wounded and Refugee funds.

Madame Sun Fo will start the game to-morrow.

The team comprises Alice Chen (Capt.), Sally Wong (V. Capt.), Victoria Tan, Helen Chen, Priscilla Ang, Lillian Kwok, Cary Ong, Josefa Go and Katie Chen.

Mr. C. C. Lum is manager. Mr. W. K. Wong is adviser and Mr. Martin Dino is the official coach.

Interviewed, Mr. Wong said that all girls' teams in the Philippines play under the boys' rules, and it will be something new for them to play under girls' rules. However, they will give of their best.

TO-DAY'S CRICKET

Following is to-day's cricket programme and some teams:—

- SECOND DIVISION
C. S. C. C. v C. C. C.
Recreio v Army
D. B. S. v Mr. A. Zimmer's XI
- FRIENDLY
C.C.C.—B. R. Iranee (Capt.), N. Broadbridge, A. H. Esmail, A. B. Hamson, A. Hung, C. W. Lam, J. W. Leonard, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, W. K. Way and J. L. Youngs. Scorer—W. Broadbridge.
- C.S.C.C.—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Alsille, K. J. Attwell, T. L. Lockhart, G. P. Stone, F. E. Lawrence, V. C. Bond, R. G. Robertson, P. D. Crawley, A. F. Sheppard and J. V. R. Mitchell.

PROGRAMME

The following is the Soccer programme for the week:

TO-DAY

- First Division
Royal Scots v St. Joseph's
(Club, 2.45 p.m.)
Middlesex v South China "B"
(Club, 4.45 p.m.)
Kwong Wah v Kowloon
(Boundary Road, 4.45 p.m.)
South China "A" v Club
(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
- Third Division
Electric v International
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)
Second Division (Play Off for Runners-Up)
30th R.A. v Engineers
(Soekunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)
- Third Division (Play Off)
R.A.S.C. v 24th R.A.
(Soekunpoo, 4.30 p.m.)
- TO-MORROW
South China (Champions) v Rest
(Club, 4.30 p.m.)

NEXT WEEK'S TENNIS

Following is the tennis programme at Hong Kong Cricket Club for the next fortnight:—

MONDAY

- Open Doubles Semi-Final
Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui v J. Gon-salves and A. V. Remedios (Stand Court).
Singles Handicap Semi-Final
A. H. Barwell (—1/6) v C. H. R. Hyde (—30) (8).
Doubles Handicap Semi-Final
C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner (scratch) v B. O'M. Deane and N. Spence (—4/6) (4).
Mixed Doubles Handicap Semi-Final
V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph (scratch) v T. A. Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong (—15) (3).

TUESDAY

- Open Doubles Semi-Final
E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn (Stand Court).

WEDNESDAY

- Open Singles Semi-Final
Tsui Yan-pui v Tsui Wai-pui (Stand Court).
Singles Handicap Final
G. W. Sewell (—4/6) or M. Pagh (—30/3) v A. H. Barwell (—1/6) or C. H. R. Hyde (—30) (8).
Mixed Doubles Handicap Final
V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph (scratch) or T. A. Pearce and Miss J. Armstrong (—15) v R. C. Beavan and Miss J. Smalley (—3/6) (4).

THURSDAY

- Open Singles Semi-Final
S. A. Rumjahn v H. D. Rumjahn (Stand Court).

FRIDAY

- Club Championship Final
M. Pagh v B. C. Fay (Stand Court).
Doubles Handicap Semi-Final
C. B. Nicholson and G. V. Hobbs (—2/6) v V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong (—15) or R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie (—1/6) (8).

MONDAY (APRIL 29)

- Open Singles Final (Stand Court) (Umpire Mr. G. W. Sewell) and Club Handicap Doubles Final (8).

WEDNESDAY (MAY 1)

- Open Doubles Final (Stand Court) (Umpire Mr. Justice Lindsell) and presentation of prizes.

LAWN BOWLS FRIENDLIES

Following is to-day's Lawn Bowls programme:—

- FRIENDLY
K. B. G. C. v Dockyard R. C.
I. R. C. v H. K. E. R. C.
Recreio v U. S. R. C.
H. K. F. C. CLUB PRACTICE

A trial to select teams to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in the forthcoming Tennis League will be held at the Club this afternoon.

1940 RACING GUIDE

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- 1.17.3—Sydney Lad (Hearne, 155); 2, Pum-
pernickel (Proulx, 152); 3, Derby
Day (Chao, 155). Neck and 2½.
A.M.3.
- 1.17.4—Australian Diamond (Tao, 155); 2,
Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 3, Lucky
Lady (Needa, 155). Short head and
2. A.M.1.
- 1.17.4—Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Contact
(Davis, 152); 3, Viceroy (Chao, 155).
3 and 1. A.M.1.
- 1.17.4—Many Thanks (Davis, 165); 2, Frank-
lin (Liang, 150); 3, Fair Chance
(Proulx, 157). 2 and 2. 3rd E.
- 1.19.2—Ruby Star (S. W. Pan, 130); 2, Heinz
(Davis, 135); 3, Violet Queen (Chao,
153). Short head and short head.
A.M.2.
- 1.21.4—Bruno (Treverton, 160); 2, Perola
d'Oriente (Wei, 152); 3, Violet Queen
(Chao, 157). ½ and ½. 2nd E.2.
- 1.20.1—Springhurst (Poy, 152); 2, Australian
Prince (Ip Kuy-ying, 152); 3, Tarzan
(H. M. Botelho, 140). 2 and 2. 2nd
E.1.
- 7 Furlongs 49 Yards:—
- 1.30.1—Ajax (Liang, 150); 2, Happy Landings
(Davis, 145); 3, Pumpernickel
(Proulx, 155). Short head and short
head. A.M.4.
- 1 Mile:—
- 1.44.3—Devonian (Black, 150); 2, Tornado
Star (Proulx, 162); 3, Triumphant
Day (H. M. Botelho, 140). 3 and 1½.
1st E.
- 1.44.4—Courtney Eve (Ph, 147); 2, Chiltern
(Encarnacao, 155) and Tornado Star
(Proulx, 153). 2 and dead heat.
A.M.4.
- 1.45.3—Vanity Fair (Ip Kuy-ying, 155); 2,
Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 3, Princess
Claro (Liang, 153). 3 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.45.3—Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 2, A Great
Time (Tao, 158); 3, Sydney Lad
(Hearne, 165). 4 and 2. 3rd E.
- 1.46.2—Contact (Davis, 152); 2, Ascot Day
(Chao, 155); 3, Busylight (H. M.

ST. JOHN'S "B" DIVISION CHAMPIONS

(By "ADREM")

Owing to an error in the League
table, I stated in an article yes-
terday that "B" Division of the
Badminton League was the only
one not decided. Actually St.
John's, with four points up on
King's, with both teams having
only one more match to play,
have already won the champion-
ship.

- Botelho, 147). 6 and ½. A.M.2.
- 1.47.2—A Roaring Time (Wei, 158); 2, Happy
Landings (Davis, 152); 3, Pum-
pernickel (Proulx, 161). 2 and 2. 1st E.
- 1.47.4—Twilight Star (Hearne, 154); 2, Violet
Queen (Chao, 155); 3, Discovery Bay
(Wei, 150). 2 and short head. A.M.5.
- 1.47.4—Albury (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Sea Jay
(Proulx, 155); 3, Maple Star (Tao,
154). 3 and 3. 1st E.
- 1.48.1—Lucky Lady (Hearne, 155) and Ami-
cus Curiae (Gram, 155). Dead heat and 1.
A.M.2.
- 1.48.3—Shuttlecock (Hearne, 140); 2, Picca-
dilly Jim (Poy, 135); 3, Income Tax
(Liang, 155). 1½ and 1½. 3rd E.
- 1.54.4—Many Thanks (Davis, 145); 2, Lucky
Lady (Needa, 155); 3, Rowan
(Hearne, 146). Neck and 6. 2nd E.1.
Many Thanks was disqualified and
Flying Dutchman (P. Botelho, 152)
was given third place.
- 1 Mile 171 Yards:—
- 1.59.3—Sapper (Davis, 160); 2, Far View
(Ph, 165); Sparrow (Yuen, 147).
Neck and many. 2nd E.1.

BADMINTON

CLOSE GAME AT K. TONG

Although most of the games were
hard-fought and the scores close, Kow-
loon Tong managed to beat Victoria
Recreation Club 5-4 in their "B"
Division Badminton League match
yesterday.

Kowloon Tong led 2-1 after the

first round, 4-2 after the second, and
won the match in the eighth game of
the evening at 5-3.

Fletcher and Mackay again won all
three games for the home team, while
Chan and Lim, and Ko and Castro
won a game apiece.

Outstanding for Kowloon Tong were
Fletcher and Ko, while Chan and Cas-
tro also worked very hard and brought
off some fine shots.

For the losers, the youthful com-
bination of Guterres and Rumjahn
showed great promise and did well to
win two games. Guterres attacked ser-
vice very successfully and both play-
ers hit very hard.

Xavier and Soares did well enough
but lack of combination cost them two
games.

O. el Arculli and S. A. Rumjahn (V.R.C.).
lost to N. A. E. Mackay and B. P. C.

Fletcher 13-21
lost to S. K. Lim and A. Chan 7-21
beat F. S. Ko and A. E. H. Castro 23-20
A. A. Guterres and A. K. Rumjahn
(V.R.C.).

lost to Mackay and Fletcher 16-21
beat Lim and Chan 21-17
beat Ko and Castro 21-14
D. M. Xavier and M. M. de V. Soares
(V.R.C.).

lost to Mackay and Fletcher 15-21
beat Lim and Chan 21-17
lost to Ko and Castro 15-21

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The THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, on MONDAY, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from 6th April to 22nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED.
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 30th March, 1940

THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the ONE HUNDRED and TWENTIETH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company, will be held at the Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 25th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 19th April to 25th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
H. DA LUZ,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th April, 1940.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 3rd MAY, 1940 at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1939, and of declaring Dividend, etc.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th APRIL to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1940.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 18th June inclusive.

By order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 22nd day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at To Kwa Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4241.	Between Kowloon City Road & Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 10,000	\$184 \$7,500



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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4242.	Between Kowloon City Road & Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 3,960	\$72 \$17,600

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4243.	Junction of Pau Chung Street & San Shai Road, Ma Tau Kok.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 6,918	\$128 \$5,189

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London, To-day.

WHILE SOVIET QUARTERS in London have repeatedly expressed the wish for a speedy resumption of normal trade relations with Britain, British politicians asserted that Britain would be ready to respond to this desire, provided

Firstly, the Soviet decrease their exports to the Reich; and secondly, the Soviet exert pressure on Berlin and Rome to refrain from any aggressive action against either Hungary or Yugo-Slavia.

OFFICIAL ITALIAN STATEMENT

Rome, To-day.

Authoritative political circles express satisfaction with Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Commons statement of Britain's desire to maintain peace in the Balkans but express grave suspicion regarding the London conference of British envoys in the Balkans.

It is declared that Italy, by diplomatic action, has succeeded in preventing extension of the conflict to the Mediterranean and Balkans.

It is declared that as this section of Europe is therefore not

The impression prevailing here is that the Soviet does not wish an extension of the European conflict to Central Europe, fearing that an Allied counter-attack would be harmful to Russian interests.

According to a private source, Moscow recently intimated to Berlin that the Kremlin was most anxious that both the Reich and Italy refrain from any action in Hungary and Yugoslavia which would be likely to unleash Allied counter-action in Rumania.

It added that in any case Moscow would never tolerate either the occupation of Bessarabia or the occupation of any territory on the Black Sea by any foreign Power.—Havas.

threatened by Germany or Italy it is difficult to understand what danger Britain is thinking of in taking whatever measures may have been examined at the London conference.

Italy's position as regards the Balkans, Danubian and Mediterranean zones has already been defined and she is determined to defend it against any coup-de-main.—Reuter.

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The cannonade lasted five hours and seemed to be going to the south. — Havas.

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